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Major challenges Nadir to publish anti-Tory proof

By Sheila Gunn
Political Correspondent

■ As Asil Nadir is challenged to bring forward his evidence, Labour threaten to demand more information from the Tories over ministers' dealings with him

JOHN Major and *Michael* Heseltine yesterday challenged the fugitive businessman Asil Nadir to publish evidence which he claims would damage the Conservative party.

The prime minister and the President of the Board of Trade revealed their growing irritation over a stream of accusations as the Nadir saga refused to go away.

Mr Heseltine displayed contempt over Mr Nadir's allegations in *The Times* yesterday that he has incriminating information about the conduct of ministers which would engulf the government in a scandal greater than the Watergate affair.

"Don't let's get involved in allegations," Mr Heseltine advised Mr Nadir. "Publish it. Stop the smears. Publish what you believe to be evidence." He added on BBC radio: "If it is evidence, we should know. If it is not evidence — well, I will be constrained in the language I use."

Downing Street later indicated that Mr Major echoed Mr Heseltine's challenge. An official pointed out that despite Mr Nadir's alleged links with ministers, the Serious Fraud Office had proceeded with false accounting charges against the businessman after the collapse of his Polly Peck empire and that he had never been awarded any political honours or favours.

John Smith, the Labour leader, continued to exploit the government's embarrassment over Mr Nadir's secret donations to the Tory party by asking Mr Major to intervene personally and to halt the practice of accepting undisclosed contributions. Senior Conservatives also castigated secret financing of the party and demanded reforms in their evidence to the Commons home affairs committee enquiry on party funding.

Downing Street denied that the Cabinet Office had questioned any ministers about their relationship with the fugitive and had no plans to do so. Labour MPs are to demand further information next week from the government about the contacts between Mr Nadir and Conservative ministers. Sir Nicholas Lyell, the attorney-general, has disclosed that seven Tory MPs contacted his office about the case but he did not reveal their identities. It is known that the MPs included Mr Heseltine, Michael Mates, the Northern Ireland minister who gave Mr Nadir a watch inscribed "Don't let the buggers get you down", and Peter Brooke, the heritage secretary.

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>
> MICHAEL HESELTINE

Mr Major is understood to be furious at the media focus on the Nadir saga after his efforts this week to start repairing party morale. One Tory official said that it was suspected that Labour repeatedly raised the issue to detract attention from Mr Smith's problems on union links with his party.

Conservative Central Office was forced to admit, however, that for a short time its officials considered a scheme advising companies how to *circumvent the Companies Act* and hand over money to the party without informing shareholders. A spokeswoman said: "There was a memorandum drawn up by the deputy director in the treasurer's department on the basis of legal advice he had received. Eleven days later he withdrew it." No company followed the advice and the document had a limited internal distribution.

Mr Smith said yesterday: "It is disgraceful that a political party which has the responsibility of government should promote such blatant evasion of the law."

The Labour leader commented that since Lord McAlpine, the former Tory treasurer, had admitted the party had been wrong to take Mr Nadir's money, it should repay the £440,000 to Polly Peck's receivers. Mr Major should instruct party officials to desist from any more attempts to obstruct the law and should legislate to make political *donations public*, he said.

"If the prime minister refuses to act, there can be only one conclusion," Mr Smith said. "He prefers his present embarrassment to the even greater outcry there would be if the Conservative party was to reveal its true sources of funding."

The Times learnt yesterday that Frank Dobson, the shadow employment secretary, has written to the Commons home affairs committee accusing Mr *Major and other ministers* of seeking donations from foreign businessmen when on official visits abroad.

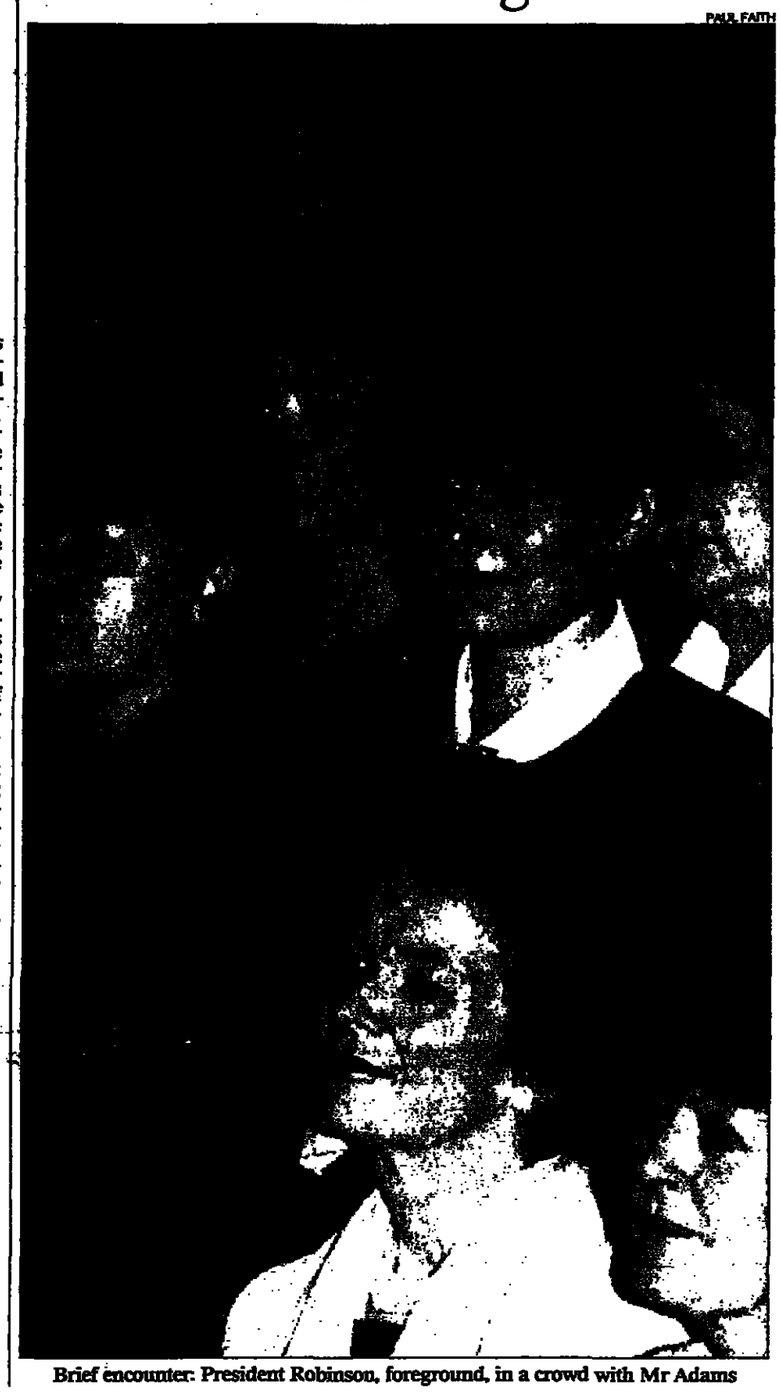
Mr Dobson wrote that when Mr Major visited Hong Kong after signing the agreement with the Chinese government for the new airport he cancelled an official engagement in order to have dinner with a Hong Kong business leader "and 'touched' him for £100,000 for Tory party funds".

On 13 other occasions, Mr Dobson added, ministers on official visits to Hong Kong had "acted as functionaries of the Conservative party". He asked the committee to investigate his complaints.

The dispute looks set to continue to embarrass the government next week. The Commons home affairs committee will question Liberal Democrat and Labour officials over party funding and Labour is holding a special Commons debate on secret financing of the Tory party.

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Talks strain Anglo-Irish relations



PAUL FAITH

Brief encounter: President Robinson, foreground, in a crowd with Mr Adams

Defiant president sees Sinn Fein chief

By Nicholas Wood
Political Correspondent

ANGLO-IRISH relations were under renewed strain last night after Mary Robinson defied a warning from John Major and the denunciation of leading Unionists and went ahead with a visit to a strongly Republican area of West Belfast.

The Irish president inflamed Unionists and dismayed political leaders in London and Dublin by meeting and shaking hands with Gerry Adams, president of Sinn Fein, at the start of her two-day visit to Northern Ireland.

Mr Major's concern, apparently shared by Albert Reynolds, the Irish prime minister, was that Mrs Robinson, who saw the Queen only three weeks ago, had handed the IRA a *propaganda victory at a* critical time in the province's constitutional position, with Sir Patrick Mayhew preparing to restart all-party talks on its future government. Amid bizarre scenes, journalists and television camera crews were ordered from a college hall to prevent them witnessing a brief but apparently warm meeting with Mr Adams.

Afterwards Mr Adams, who is barred by law from speaking on British television and radio, said: "The whole controversy over this visit was aimed at sabotaging it. Both the British and Irish governments must have seen and approved the guest list. I commend her very much for coming, in spite of all the difficulties."

Mrs Robinson said: "I have come here because I have already had indications of the community's vitality, self-development and spirit and strength. This is my opportunity to come to listen, to see and to learn and to value what you have here in this community in West Belfast." After the meeting she met the West Belfast MP, Dr Joe Hendron, and Mr Adams briefly. She said that

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Boeing is to modify 747s

ALL 948 Boeing 747s flying throughout the world are to have their engine mountings strengthened in a modification aimed at preventing engines from breaking away during flight (Harvey Elliott writes).

The original mountings were designed to allow the engines to break away from the wing if they suddenly seized. The modifications will still enable an engine to detach if it hits an object on landing.

The modifications to the struts follow detailed inspections after two accidents in the past 18 months. Each aircraft will take two or three weeks to modify, with the cost being shared by Boeing and its customers. The changes are expected to cost more than $100 million (£66 million).

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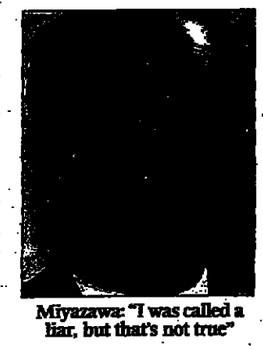
Fall of Tokyo government paves way for end to one-party rule

From Joanna Pitman
in Tokyo

THE Japanese prime minister, Kiichi Miyazawa, lost a vital no-confidence vote yesterday, and the stage was set for an election and a possible end to one-party rule after more than 30 years.

The defeat cast a shadow over world markets and raised doubts on the chances of agreement at the Group of Seven summit meeting Japan is to host next month. Prospects for a new Gatt agreement were undermined.

Government officials who have been preparing for the Tokyo summit meeting are concerned about the effects of the political collapse on Japan's world standing: "What happens at the summit will affect Japan's important diplomatic schedule for the next few years," one official said. "It's a major loss for Japan." Mr Miyazawa is due not only to host the summit meeting but also meet other G7 leaders including John Major and President Clinton for bilateral talks. Mr Major is due to visit Tokyo again later in the year.



Miyazawa: "I was called a liar, but that's not true"

After a humiliating defeat in the Lower House, with members of his ruling Liberal Democratic Party voting with the Opposition, Mr Miyazawa dissolved parliament to trigger a snap election late next month. "What happened was very unfortunate," a dejected-looking Mr Miyazawa told a news conference. "I was called a liar, but that's not true ... I really thought I would be able to achieve political reform."

The prime minister was brought down by public unhappiness about his failure to push through legislation for political reform and to halt rampant political corruption in the wake of three big pay-off scandals in five years. All involved senior members of the ruling party.

The politically-fatal no-confidence motion was read out in the wood-panelled Lower House by the Socialist Party leader, Sadao Yamahana. He charged Mr Miyazawa with having betrayed the trust of the people. "He has betrayed [them] by promising political reform and then refusing to allow parliament to debate the issue. The prime minister is a liar," he said.

The loss is an important marker in the decline of the LDP, which was founded in 1955 as a coalition of conservative parties and has since been in unbroken power. It could herald a true multi-party democracy in Japan.

Morihiro Hosokawa, who left the LDP last year to found the pro-reform Japan New Party, said: "It's like the Berlin Wall coming down. Politics will change because of what happened today."

An LDP executive council member, Rokuro Kato, said the party would face the election in disarray. "The party is split as it heads into elections," he said. "We're going to fight divided."

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Triumph for Boon in run feast

By Our Sports Staff

DAVID Boon fulfilled a cherished ambition yesterday by scoring a Test match century in England for the first time to sustain Australia's run feast at Lord's. His personal triumph came after 11 previous Tests in England, in which he passed 50 five times.

Boon's delight at hitting an unbeaten 138 contrasted with the disappointment felt by Mark Waugh, bowled for 99.

The pair shared a stand of 175 as Australia powered to 592-4 at the close, their second highest against England at Lord's. Allan Border, the captain, hit 77 in 121 balls. But the visitors' splendid day was marred last night when their fast bowler Craig McDermott was taken to hospital with suspected appendicitis for an exploratory operation. He will take no further part in the match.

☐ **Sampras shadow:** Doubts over the fitness of Pete Sampras, the No 1 men's singles seed for Wimbledon, emerged two days before the championships start. He has an injured shoulder.

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Quayle museum becomes a hot potatoe

From Ben Macintyre
in New York

THE Dan Quayle Museum and Centre has opened in Huntington, Indiana, to a fanfare of sniggers across the land, except in Huntington.

There are those who might feel that the founding of a museum to celebrate the international achievements and historical significance of former Vice-President J. Danforth Quayle is a little premature. But in Huntington, where the young Quayle was raised and formed, the subject of the former vice-president's legacy is treated with total, and somewhat defensive, seriousness. The first vice-presidential museum to honour a man who, at 46, is still very much alive, contains a staggering 10,000 items of Quayliabilia: here are the photographs of the young Quayle in nappies, on horseback, with his wife, Marilyn, and in repose, wearing his famous Hawaiian outfit; here is Mr Quayle's law diploma, half-chewed by the family dog, Barnaby. Here, indeed, is a photograph of Barnaby himself, looking rather self-satisfied.

Students of Mr Quayle's scholarly development will be particularly interested in his school report card: his spelling, back then, attracted little comment, although his geography was a little rum and his "lack of self-control" was sharply criticised by teacher. The authorities agree, however, that he was always courteous and very clean.

While the Nixon library may fuss about such items as the Watergate tapes, and the Bush museum, when it opens in Houston, will surely reveal much we need to know, the Dan Quayle museum is principally about golf. Consider this account of the 1959 Phoenix Jaycee junior golf tournament: "Qualifying day I shot 56. I was in the consolation [*sic*]... — that old rogue *e* cropping up again like a bad, well, potatoe?

The museum's standing exhibition is perhaps most notable for its almost total absence of self-mockery. Mr Quayle's celebrated malapropisms are barely alluded to, although only a fraction of the total collection has so far been displayed.

The Quayles were unable to attend the opening of the exhibition this week, but have promised to be in Huntington when the museum is formally dedicated in September.

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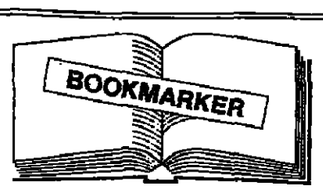
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What the papers said:

Derwent May's bookbuyers' guide

5/5 *Pleasure ratings are awarded to a maximum of five. Column centimetres indicate the length of reviews to date in national broadsheet newspapers.*

2/5 **Better last time:** Everyone was nice about Barbara Castle on the appearance of her autobiography, *Fighting All The Way* (Macmillan £20), and she got more coverage than anybody in the book pages in the last two weeks as "The Lost Leader" or "The Prime Minister We Never Had". But nobody said much about the book. Alan Watkins in *The Spectator* concluded that there was nothing of importance in the autobiography that could not be found in more graphic form in her published *Diaries* (now in Papermac). Peter Paterson in the *Daily Mail*, Francis Wheen in *The Independent on Sunday*, and Anthony Howard in *The Sunday Times* all agreed that the diaries were better, though they enjoyed the story of her early years. First thoughts, best thoughts? *Col cms: 443.*

4/5 **Not blind — other visioned:** "Political correctness" offers such sport that the reviewers have turned eagerly to the Australian art critic Robert Hughes's book about intolerance in America, *Culture of Complaint* (Oxford £12.95). In fact, Hughes regards himself as being broadly on the Left — but, as John Carey said in *The Sunday Times*: "Since the antics of the Left offer the fattest target for ridicule, they occupy most of his time and ammunition".

Christopher Hitchens, in *The Independent on Sunday*, was wholeheartedly for the book. He found it "infused with a generous and humorous spirit", and he cited Hughes's description of Political Correctness as a "literary Lourdes" where cripples will instantly feel better if they are described as "physically challenged". "Demolishes more cant in fewer pages than would previously have seemed possible" declared Fredric Paul Smoler in *The Observer*.

Roger Kimball in *The Sunday Telegraph* was complimentary but teasing. He thought the book was a "commonsensical meal", inappropriately "festooned with a lot of liberal watercress", and he threw down a challenge to Hughes: "Why won't he admit he is a Conservative?" Only Richard Gott, the literary editor of *The Guardian*, offered a sour note. The book started as a series of lectures — "but the cheap jokes of the lecture hall do not look so good in cold print". The author's approach, said Gott, was "based on dishonest arguments". You know who your friends are now, Hughes. *Col cms: 384.*

4/5 **Ha Ha Ha among the trumpets:** The new cult novelist is the young Irishman Roddy Doyle, and his novel *Paddy Clarke Ha Ha Ha* (Secker £12.99) jumped into the best-seller list at No 6. It is the story of Paddy, a 10-year-old in Dublin in 1968, seen through his own eyes. "Potent fusion of comedy and pathos" said David Park in *The Times*. Watch your back, Adrian Mole. *Column cms: 134.*

3/5 **Get the girl:** What was Moira Shearer doing, reviewing *Sacheverell Sitwell* by Sarah Bradford (Sinclair-Stevenson £20) in the *Daily Mail*? The answer came in a footnote: "In the spring of 1946, Sachie Sitwell fell wildly and romantically in love with the beautiful young ballerina." But she wasn't giving much away: "Often heavy going on paper, Sachie was delightfully witty in conversation," she informed us. Sir Roy Strong in the *Mail on Sunday* thought that the book gave the "missing perspective" on the Sitwells.

In *The Daily Telegraph*, Dirk Bogarde found the book "a real plum-pudding, stuffed full of delicious fruits, nuts and silver trinkets", though he "rather longed for the sorbet by the finish". His metaphor, he might have said with Dr Chasuble, was from food. *Col cms: 171.*

On a wet and windy night, **Ruth Gledhill** is drenched in music by the charismatics

The grunge church shows lots of spirit



BARRY GREENWOOD



All hands and heart: evening service at St Thomas's

AFTER nearly three hours in church, it was time to wake up. "The spirit comes: a wind," said Brian McConkey, the preacher, catching me in the middle of a huge yawn. At that moment, a gusting wind blew up outside, rattling the timbers of this enormous, bleak, gothic church, and causing the youngsters around me to shiver inside their torn denims and shapeless pullovers. Mr McConkey seized his moment. "Be aware of the Holy Spirit filling your whole being, making God real to you," he declared.

I was in Lancaster, and had escaped from the wind, rain and gloom through huge, vivid-purple doors into St Thomas Penny Street, to celebrate Evening Communion and continue with "the Late Service", a charismatic evangelical event aimed at the young.

Much effort had gone into dressing scruffily, as it had into transforming this dismal church into a receptacle fit to be "filled with the Holy Spirit". If ever there was a "grunge" church, this is it. We sat in oak pews which could have used a polish, knelt on worn brown carpet, were oppressed by white-washed walls and yellowing gloss paint on what once must have been attractive plain wood panelling. Damp patches showed on the ceiling. The finest features — stained glass and a carved reredos — were barely visible beyond a newly plastered chancel wall. "It's very shoddy," said the vicar, the Rev Peter Guinness. "The church employs so many people that most of its budget goes on missions and staff." Mr Guinness hopes to restore the building, but all churches could learn from the temporary improvements effected by the youngsters for their Late Service.



Transformed: the church brightly decorated for Late Service

His curate, the Rev Trevor Mapstone, who preached at the preceding communion, is paid about £12,000 a year; the vicar earns a little more. As with most evangelical churches, the congregation of 370 adults and 150 children takes giving money seriously. Of the £100,000 income, £42,000 goes to the Blackburn diocese. The clergy's salaries come out of the remainder, which also finances a part-time secretary and cleaners. The coffee-bar manager and assistant are self-financing through the shop.

The church was packed at both services with students from Lancaster University and St Martin's College. Many wore tense expressions, linked to the exams.

After communion, while we sipped coffee, a group of young people transformed the church with ink-dyed muslin drapes — a vast improvement. Big loudspeakers were installed, and the chancel and sanctuary were screened with a colourfully lit white cloth stating "Welcome". A saxophonist, guitarists and excellent female vocalists took the floor. The decibel count was lower than usual because the lead guitarist and drummer were camping in the Yorkshire dales.

Colin Phillimore, one of the guitarists, led our worship: "We are here to party and celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit: His power in our lives," he said, leading us into the opening number, "Jesus, we celebrate Your victory". The youngsters, some in their early teens, began dancing, and a young man in torn jeans and satin waistcoat banged the pew with his fist in time to the music.

The next song was written by the group, which was not highly competent musically but was impressively creative. "Get ready to ride on the wind of the spirit," Mr Phillimore announced. His language — typical of the charismatic movement but rare outside it — was as improvised as the songs.

We moved into "Purify my heart", with many praying on their knees. A woman in orange dungarees walked down the aisle and danced to the music on the chancel steps.

The charismatic movement came to Britain early this century, but since the 1960s has been growing fast in the main Christian denominations, including the Roman Catholic church. Charismatics emphasise the gifts listed in I Corinthians: speaking in tongues, prophecy, healing and exorcism. Until recently, speaking in tongues, or glossolalia, has been the most prominent, but this is declining and features briefly in the services at St Thomas; healing and prophecy are becoming the norm.

The church has a healing ministry, including programmes to help people with addictions to anything from drugs to perfection. Church members "laid hands" on others who knelt for communion during the first service, and none blinked as the curate said during his sermon: "We are in the last days: Jesus is speaking to us now."

It transpired that he did not mean that the apocalypse was imminent, but was referring to the concept that the "last days" began from the time of Christ. But as he continued to speak on the Holy Spirit, with which "God is saying He's going to drench his people, He's going to soak them", the imagery was made more immediate by the tempest blowing outside around the dark grey stone edifice which shadows the shopping precinct in Lancaster.

● *Sunday services: 10.30am and 6.30pm, alternating between morning and evening prayer and communion. The Late Service, 9pm.*

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HUGH ROUTLEDGE

Different strokes: Hedley Verity, the Yorkshire bowler, who took 14 wickets in the Lord's Test in 1934, the last time England won against Australia at Lord's; Graham Gooch on the hallowed ground of Lord's this week

Lament for Lord's lost glory

From the scene of Australia's latest triumph John Woodcock, a veteran of Lord's reporting, reflects on the apparent inability of England to defend their honour at the home of cricket

AUSTRALIA yesterday piled up its second ever highest score at cricket's headquarters as England were again humbled. "What's the score?" I overheard one MCC member asking another. "Oh, about a million for three," came the reply.

It is becoming a familiar refrain for English supporters at the home of cricket. Appearing there inspires visiting sides, making England's task of winning seemingly harder. That is particularly true of Australia, who have lost to England in a Test match at Lord's only once this century, in 1934. Before that, you have to go back to 1896 and W.G. Grace for an England win.

1934 was, of course, Hedley Verity's match. Heavy rain affected the pitch, uncovered in those days, and Verity, the Yorkshire slow left-arm bowler, used it to devastating effect. He took 14 wickets in the day, including six in the last hour, as England won by an innings and 38 runs.

There is nothing quite like going to Lord's for a Test match. Lord's has a character and an atmosphere all of its own. Australians think of Sydney and Melbourne, and of course they are right. But Michael Slater, an Aussie from Wagga Wagga, may never again feel the same exultation, the same feeling of being only a little lower than the angels, as he did when he reached his 100 at Lord's on Tuesday. He was quite carried away, not only because he has a sense of history.

If there was a certain sadness in the air yesterday that was because England were being humbled. To some it verged on embarrassment as they watched Mark Waugh use the bowling as though for his private pleasure, and David Boon make the hundred that, from the start, was in all too little doubt.

For 40 years now I have been writing about the Lord's Test match for this newspaper, and there is not a lot left of the ground as it was then. There is the old pavilion, built over a hundred years ago, and the real tennis court, and the quaint, somewhat incongruous grandstand, and what today is called the Allen Stand and was known then simply as Q stand. Even the Grace Gates have been moved. Behind the Warner Stand, though, the grass mound still stands where Sir Neville Cardus held court. Cardus would stand with his back to the play, tapping one's chest as though it was a barometer, to make sure he had one's attention.

What can never be taken away is the sense of tradition. The feeling that Lord's is a very special, very English, very hallowed, rather holy place. We like to think that they move with the times at Lord's, that the things that really matter stay the same.

Wherever one looks today there will be a familiar face, a psychedelic tie. The relatively modern fashion of heading for England when the Test match is on at Lord's was set by Sir Robert Menzies, who used to make sure, if he could, that the Prime Ministers' Commonwealth Conference was arranged to coincide.

On Thursday, between entering the ground and covering the 200 yards, or rather less, to the Warner Stand, I could have picked a side which had Bob Wyatt as England's senior living cricketer, to captain it at the age of 92, and would have boasted a thousand caps between them: Keith Miller, Alan Davidson, Ray Lindwall, Denis Compton, Colin Cowdrey, the Chappell brothers, Richie Benaud, Alec Bedser, Roy McLean, Mike Procter, Ted Dexter, John Edrich and Bob Cowper, who both made Test match triple hundreds, and countless more.

By any standards Mark Waugh is a disarming and delightful batsman and Boon a singularly dogged one. Against England's present bowling on a pitch as good as this one most county sides might have backed themselves to score 400, though there was not an old-timer there who thought that in his day the bowlers would not have swung the ball more than England's did.

There are still three days of the match, and the chances are that much more excitement lies ahead than there has been so far.

Ever since it ceased to be a kitchen garden and was turned over to cricket, Lord's has inspired the sort of deeds that England may need to keep alive, however flickeringly, their hopes of regaining the Ashes.

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Wagga Wagga's favourite sons take cricket by storm

BY JOHN PARKER

MATILDA went waltzing in Wagga Wagga and the tinnies came out when two of the town's favourite sons put England to the sword in the second Test at Lord's with their opening partnership of 260.

Wagga Wagga, a township of some 36,837 people (at the last count, in 1981) on the Murrumbidgee River west of Canberra in New South Wales, seems an unlikely enough birthplace for one Test batsman.

To produce two at the same time could be construed as arrogance, although it must be remembered that the greatest batsmen of them all, Sir Donald Bradman, learned his cricket hitting a golf ball with a stump in the even smaller Cootamundra, before going on to play in quick succession for Bowral Intermediate High School, New South Wales and Australia.

The latest product of the Australian policy of promoting youth (Ted Dexter, please note), Michael Slater, 23, reckons he was a little overawed by opening the batting for his country with Mark Taylor. However, the reverse appears to be the case.

"It can be a bit awe-inspiring batting with Michael," Taylor said. "He hit his first ball of the day for four. I can remember how nervous I was when I played my first Test at Lord's, but he didn't look nervous at all."

Slater, who has been playing first class cricket for only one season, hit 152 in only his second Test match and his first at Lord's, where he spent last season on the ground staff as part of an MCC exchange scheme.

"I've only batted here twice before," he said. "I made 13 for MCC against Scotland last summer and one against Middlesex earlier on this tour. To score your first Test century on the hallowed turf of Lord's is a very emotional feeling. I know all about the history of the place because I visited the Lord's museum and read all about the ground when I was here last year."

Slater jumped for joy several times and repeatedly punched the air with delight as he completed the single that took him to three figures. Then he kissed the Australian badge on his green helmet and waved to a capacity 28,000 crowd, among them his 22-year-old fiancée, Stephanie.

Slater finally fell an hour before the close, while Taylor soon followed, having contributed 111 to Australia's mighty total of 292 for two. Together they had compiled their country's best partnership for any wicket at Lord's and put together the second highest Australian stand in Ashes history. Wagga Wagga would have given more than a XXXX to have been there.

Detectives to join Gay Pride march in hunt for serial killer

BY RICHARD FORD, HOME CORRESPONDENT

POLICE hunting a serial killer who is stalking London's gay community will mingle today among an estimated 50,000 people expected to march through the capital as part of the annual Gay Pride festival.

Hundreds of officers will be on duty for the march and Scotland Yard has printed 10,000 leaflets urging gay men to come foward to help them in the hunt for the man who has promised he will kill a homosexual a week.

Posters with photographs of the five men who have been either strangled or suffocated by the killer will be handed out by officers at Brockwell Park, south London, at the annual celebration. The crowd will be joined by performers, including Boy George, Julian Clary and Jimmy Somerville.

Another leaflet, headed *Catch the Killer*, will be given to gays and lesbians as they parade from the Embankment to Hyde Park before heading for Brockwell Park this afternoon. It gives details of the five men who have been killed since March and warns gay men to be careful when "cruising" for a partner.

It warns that until the man, who has made a series of telephone calls to the police claiming to be the killer of four known homosexuals and another man, is caught, they must take extra care. "Always tell a friend who you are leaving with and where you are going," the leaflet says.

During a break in the performances, a representative of the Gay London Policing Organisation (Galop) will appeal for men to help police in their effort to capture the killer. Police officers are working closely with Galop, which has taken dozens of telephone calls from anxious men, in an effort to overcome traditional reluctance by the gay community to get involved with police.

One difficulty facing detectives is that many homosexual men involved in sado-masochism are fearful of going to the police since a Law Lords ruling earlier this year. They ruled that inflicting injury for pleasure was illegal and that people could be guilty of criminal consent even though they consented to what happened.

The Law Lords dismissed appeals by five men who had practised genital torture involving the use of sandpaper and fish-hooks.

Police who lied about brawl jailed for 2 years

BY RICHARD DUCE

THREE police officers involved in a drunken brawl at the home of a Sandhurst army cadet and who later lied about the incident in court were yesterday each jailed for two years.

Nicholas Jones, 29, John Walsh, 30, and Jonathan Lehrle, 26, were refused bail pending appeal after their convictions at the Old Bailey.

Judge Butter told them: "I have no doubt what happened that night was the result of drink you had consumed, even though you were not drunk. You made statements which were in part untrue which led to the prosecution of Francis Milburn. You went on to give untrue evidence against him. This offence was a further abuse of your powers."

The three police constables were convicted last month of affray and attempting to pervert the course of justice.

The court had heard how the three off-duty constables had been drinking at a pub in Chelsea, west London, and were carousing noisily outside the home of Mr Milburn, 22, after closing time.

Mr Milburn told them to be quiet and went to remonstrate with them, armed with a truncheon. The men then barged into his home and during a struggle Mr Milburn hit one of the intruders on the head. Mr Milburn was then arrested and charged with assault, later being cleared by magistrates.

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Heath's pitfall

"By the middle of 1973, the economy was growing at 5% a year, unemployment was falling and the government's policy of holding down pay rises was working. Until, that is, the miners claimed they were a special case and demanded 35%, against the official norm of



around 10%. Edward Heath refused to budge, and handled the negotiations with the miners himself."

Part 1 of a new biography of Edward Heath, News Review, The Sunday Times tomorrow

Writer killed himself after rewrite requests

A TRAVEL writer and explorer hanged himself after being asked to rewrite an article he had submitted to *The Times*, an inquest was told yesterday.

Miles Clark, 32, was also upset after *National Geographic* asked for a rewrite of an article about a voyage he had undertaken. He was also contracted to write a book about his journey, as the first westerner since the Vikings to go from the Arctic to the Black Sea. However, as the book's deadline approached, with rejections and rewrite demands for other articles, Clark became depressed and twice attempted suicide, said his widow.

Sarah Clark, from Salisbury, told David Masters, Wiltshire coroner, that she had found her husband hanging from the stairs with a kicked-over chair below him.

Recording a verdict of suicide, the coroner said: "He just didn't match up, so he thought, to the very high standard he set himself."

'Boxing Helena' director sorry

BY ALISON ROBERTS, ARTS REPORTER

THE director of the controversial film, *Boxing Helena*, has apologised to women who find the film pornographic and misogynistic as campaigners picketed central London cinemas where it is being screened.

Speaking from Los Angeles on BBC Radio 4's *Today* programme, Jennifer Lynch, daughter of film-maker David, said she was "terribly sorry" that campaigners against pornography found the film offensive. "I do not want to back down, but I want to say that it is the first thing I have put on film and I did not want to make a big thing out of it," she said. Ms Lynch said that in her experience, more men than women had found the film offensive.

Boxing Helena, which stars Julian Sands and Sherilyn Fenn and carries an "18" certificate, has been widely condemned by reviewers. It features an unbalanced surgeon who is sexually obsessed with Helena, a female patient. He amputates her arms and legs in order to possess her and she eventually admits her love for him.

The Campaign Against Pornography last night picketed the Odeon cinema in Leicester Square, London, where the film was shown for the first time. Campaigners say that the film's "dream" ending, in which Helena's limbs reappear, makes it even more insidious.

Women who experience real-life violence cannot expect such magical endings, they say. Rachel Wingfield, of the campaign, called the film "one of the most misogynist and disturbing films to hit the cinema in a long time ... we are very alarmed to see this imagery getting into the mainstream."



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David Curry: 'I have never met Asil Nadir and didn't make any representations on his behalf'

Minister worked with Nadir public relations adviser

BY ANGELA MACKAY AND CHRISTOPHER ELLIOTT

PARTY CONTACTS

A TORY minister emerged yesterday as a long-time friend of and professional consultant to Christopher Morgan, Asil Nadir's public relations adviser.

David Curry, former fisheries minister and now local planning minister at the environment department, is listed in the Public Relations Consultants Association Handbook as acting as consultant to Christopher Morgan Marketing & Public Relations from 1984 to 1988. He overlapped with Richard Ryder, the Tory Chief Whip, who was listed as a political adviser to Mr Morgan's company from 1984 to 1986.

Mr Curry was Tory MEP for Essex northeast and also chairman of the EC agricultural committee when he first joined Mr Morgan's consultancy. He was also the Conservative spokesman on the Budget committee.

Mr Morgan, 54, said last night that Mr Curry was a friend but that he had nothing to do with Mr Nadir.

And Mr Curry said: "I have been a friend of Christopher Morgan for years. I knew him in my Brussels days. I did help him in one or two jobs as I recall, but I was never paid a retainer. I have never met Asil Nadir and I didn't make any representations on his behalf."

Mr Morgan, who has been a parliamentary consultant for the past 15 years, said: "It's not something you boast about. There is no magic to it. It's merely a question of talking to somebody about some things. Some people have fantastic contacts and some people have very few. I'm somewhere in the middle."

He had absolutely no regrets about joining the Nadir cause two years ago. He declined to name the mutual friend who introduced him to Mr Nadir.

Mr Morgan has acted for other clients involved in allegations that the Tory party had asked for favours in return for a knighthood. Alan Bristow, Westland's biggest shareholder, alleged he was offered a knighthood by two Tory peers if he agreed to support a takeover by the American defence group, Sikorsky-Fiat. Mr Bristow also claimed he had been offered a place on the Westland board and a profit of £2.25 million on the sale of his 17 per cent.

During the affair, Mr Bristow took advice from Mr Morgan, who at that stage worked under the name of Christopher Morgan Marketing and Public Relations. Then, the Tories were able to limit the damage from Mr Bristow's allegations after the party closed ranks behind Margaret Thatcher.

Mr Nadir has alleged that he has documents and tapes which will reveal conduct by Tory party ministers which will have damaging repercussions for Britain.

He said that he would never return to Britain to face trial for theft of funds from his flagship company, Polly Peck International, while the present government was in power.

If Mr Nadir's £440,000 donation to the Conservative Party, which triggered the current row at Westminster, came from stolen Polly Peck funds, then the party chairman, Sir Norman Fowler, has promised to return the cash to the company's administrators.

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Centre of the storm: Michael Mates, with his wife Rosellen. His gift of a watch to Mr Nadir triggered the controversy now shaking the Conservative party

Tory pre-election fund-raising effort produced a loss

BY ANGELA MACKAY, ANDREW PIERCE AND SHEILA GUNN

LEAKED documents show that a fund-raising exercise by Conservative Central Office in the run-up to the 1992 election involving "cold calling" three million people resulted in a loss of £11,000.

The exercise raised more than £1 million from direct mail requests but costs still exceeded the income.

The push for funds started in June 1991 when 58,000 people were sent mailshots asking for cash. This number rose to almost 100,000 in March 1992 when well over £200,000 was netted from the effort.

The party obtained the bulk of the mailing list from International Communications & Data, which had used a database of British investors in privatisations.

The plea for cash was planned by Chris Woodhams, who left Conservative Central Office when 60 jobs were axed early this year. Chris Patten, then chairman of the party, signed the requests for donations.

About 58,000 letters were sent to existing donors in June 1991, netting £139,780. At the same time, 547,000 letters were sent out "cold", resulting in a £3,000 loss overall. In August, £160,000 was raised from the faithful, £158,000 in October, £185,000 in December, £197,600 in February 1992, and more than £200,000 in March. The losses arose from the "cold calling" element of the fund-raising effort.

Labour officials have complained to MPs about the activities of a Conservative party "launderette", called British United Industrialists (BUI), which apparently channelled secret donations from companies to Tory headquarters. They estimate that 80 per cent of corporate donations to BUI ended up at the Conservative party.

The evidence, submitted by Larry Whitty, Labour's general secretary, to the Commons home affairs committee, accuses some companies of giving money through BUI but "failing to declare their donations in their annual report and accounts".

Conservative officials admitted last night that BUI had existed but insisted it was an independent organisation devoted to free enterprise.

In 1988 Labour researchers traced 19 companies which failed to declare money given to BUI, including £100,000 donated by Nabisco.

Mr Whitty also mentions the "river" companies which channel legacies left to the Conservative party. Sir Norman Fowler, the Tory party chairman, admitted to the home affairs committee on Wednesday that three still existed, but refused to give details. Labour's evidence says they are called Arun, Bourne and Colne and file only limited information at Companies House.

Labour also claims that Asil Nadir's £440,000 donations to the Conservatives were not the only corporate contributions which were not declared in company accounts. A

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£100,000 donation to the Tory party in 1990 by the Manchester-based Sovereign Leasing company was revealed only when the Bank of Austria took over the firm.

Secrecy also surrounds allegedly huge donations from foreign tycoons, such as the Greek businessman John Latsis and Li Ka-shing, from Hong Kong. Labour complains. Both Bermuda and Hong Kong are cited by the Labour evidence as possible sources of such finance from businessmen.

"It seems certain that the Conservative party has received donations from abroad from both individuals and companies, none of which would have to be disclosed. Individuals such as Li Ka-shing have received press coverage, as has Michael Ashcroft of the services group ADT, which has its registered office in Bermuda," the evidence adds.

Sir Norman told MPs last week that donations were not accepted from foreign governments, but he did not deny that money had been received from non-British residents.

Influence on MPs is confined to their waistlines

BY PETER RIDDELL
POLITICAL EDITOR

THE LOBBYISTS

LOBBYISTS and public relations men and women have an inherent tendency to exaggerate their relations with politicians. That is how they get and keep clients, especially businessmen unfamiliar with Westminster. A casual acquaintance becomes a long-standing friend, and a former colleague is described by a first name. That may impress the gullible but is not taken seriously by anyone at Westminster.

Politicians do, however, mix and get to know such lobbyists. Some are former special advisers or party officials, ex-political journalists and even the occasional former MP and civil servant. Hence, some really are old allies who have tired of direct involvement and prefer the higher rewards of life outside Westminster. Ministers keep in touch with them because of those former relationships and, occasionally, continuing friendships. They are part of the same world and at lunch or dinner they exchange gossip. But that is the limit of most ministers' contacts.

There are many different types of lobbyist, from the established public affairs companies, via company spokesmen, to individual entrepreneurs, often former MPs or party staff. Some, such as Sir Tim Bell, operate in the grand world as advisers to Lady Thatcher and big national companies. Others are less exalted.

All those firms can offer is access. Some have backbench MPs on their books as paid consultants, who attend functions to impress business clients (who must be easily impressed), put down parliamentary questions to ministers and host lunches and parties in the House of Commons. They open otherwise closed doors at Westminster.

Some MPs are also directors and executives of public relations companies. Those business interests have to be declared in the register of members' interests, though that does not give the size of fees or what they have done to earn them. There is little evidence that those activities make much difference to decisions taken by ministers.

We are still a long way from the American world of "Gucci gulch". This is what the corridor outside the Congress room where the House ways and means committee met in Washington was called after the expensively shod lobbyists seeking to bend the ears of congressmen on tax measures. Individual US congressmen really can make a difference in amending the details of tax and other legislation.

In Britain, backbench MPs have virtually no power, and little influence. The finance bill is currently being considered by a standing committee of MPs. That is attended by some lobbyists and tax specialists, but only a fraction of the number outside the ways and means committee room. The finance bill is being amended to take account of detailed representations made since the Budget. But government backbenchers have little or no say, except for the odd intervention on a technical point of interest to them or where there has been some controversy. In general, they are expected to turn up and vote, rather than to amend the bill. They have plenty of time for constituency correspondence.

Backbenchers normally have clout only when they are expressing a widespread national concern — over, for example, rural sub-post offices — or constituency grievances, rather than representations on behalf of outside clients. Public affairs firms can use long-standing political and personal contacts with ministers, and the assistance of "tame" or retained backbenchers, to gain a hearing, but little more. A lunch or a meeting may be organised to gratify the client, but that is merely one input into a minister's decisions.

Politicians and lobbyists do meet, eat, drink and talk. But, apart from expanding waistlines, there is less to their contacts than the PR men's hype or recent protests suggest.

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Morality of foreign donations questioned as Labour enters fray over links with fugitive tycoon

Conservatives call for end to secrecy over party funds

BY SHEILA GUNN
POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

SENIOR Conservatives are demanding an end to the secrecy surrounding donations to Central Office funds amid the furore over Asil Nadir's links with the party.

Two former officials on the Conservative board of finance are highly critical of financial controls at Tory HQ in their written evidence to the Commons home affairs committee enquiry on party funding.

Although neither raises the issue of the fugitive tycoon's contributions, they question the morality of accepting donations from foreign sources and call for legislation to lift the secrecy over party finances together with tough controls on sources of funding.

The Charter Movement, a Conservative body campaigning for greater democracy within the party, has submitted a similar document. The submissions have been handed to *The Times* in advance of further hearings by the committee this summer.

John Strafford, who served on the board from 1989-92, warned the committee that the secret system for handling donations was open to fraud. Controls over sources of finance for all political parties had become essential, he said.

"The secrecy involved in all these organisations gives the opportunity for fraud to exist on a grand scale," Mr Strafford said. "Even if fraud was discovered, the parties would be reluctant to take action because of the publicity."

Mr Strafford also wants a ban on donations from non-British voters or residents, foreign governments or organisations and a limit on individual contributions.

Eric Chalker, who served on the Conservative board of finance, complained that top officials refused to tell him the sources of large donations. He was elected to the board with a mandate to seek more information and regularly sought more details of Tory funding.

"It was all virtually to no avail," he said. "The paid employees and the vested interests obdurately stood their ground and democratic accountability was non-existent. By dint of persistence, some brief glimpses were snatched of what was usually kept carefully out of sight but, in reality, not an inch of permanent ground was yielded in 48 months."

In that time more than £67 million of spending was recorded at the party's headquarters, but nobody had to account for a penny of it to the board or any other elected body, Mr Chalker said.

"During the same period, Conservative central office received more than £43 million in donations. While members of the Conservative board of finance receive a partial breakdown of donations by UK region, value and number, more complete information is kept from board members.

"In 1991, press reports started to appear of some specific, very large, individual donations to the party, including some from abroad. This caused me grave concern and I asked the then chairman of the board (an appointed officer) for information."

Mr Chalker asked about the policy for such donations and "no answers were forthcoming". One four-figure sum was donated by party members but, initially, disappeared without trace.

"After further investigation, the existence of a previously unknown account was discovered, into which the money had been paid."

Mr Chalker said there was no good reason to believe that this was an isolated incident.

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THE Watergate-style bombshell that Asil Nadir has apparently been priming since his flight six weeks ago would have to answer these questions if it is to do serious damage:

1: What is in the tapes he has allegedly made of meetings with ministers?
2: Do they include specific promises of favours in return for contributions to Tory funds?
3: How many ministers have been taped and who are they?
4: Over what period were the tapes made and were those involved in office at the time?
5: Nadir has threatened to publish the tapes ever since he arrived in Cyprus. Why has he waited?
6: What are the names other than those already known of the seven MPs who, it is admitted, approached the attorney-general on Nadir's behalf?
7: Are Labour claims true that up to ten peers also approached the attorney-general on his behalf? If so, who were they?
8: Are rumours true that a minister or Tory MP has a share with Mr Nadir in a company registered in the Isle of Man?
9: How many other MPs and peers have had business links with Mr Nadir?
10: Who was the mutual friend who introduced him to Christopher Morgan, his public relations adviser?



Life of leisure: Asil Nadir relaxes in the sun of Northern Cyprus yesterday, while for the Tory party storm clouds are gathering

Opposition determined to maintain pressure

BY CHRISTOPHER ELLIOTT AND ANGELA MACKAY

ROBIN Cook, Labour's shadow trade and industry spokesman, will begin a fresh attack on the Tories over the next few days in an attempt to discover the complete list of Conservative peers and MPs who made representations on Asil Nadir's behalf.

One area he will explore is whether any peers made approaches to Sir Nicholas Lyell, the attorney-general. Sir Nicholas has confirmed that five MPs made written representations and two made approaches orally. Three have been named publicly as Michael Mates, the Northern Ireland minister, Michael Heseltine, President of the Board of Trade and Peter Brooke, the heritage secretary.

However there is growing speculation at Westminster that a number of peers may have also made representations on the fugitive businessman's behalf. One report circulating among Labour MPs is that there may have been as many as ten peers who made approaches to the attorney-general's office. A spokesman for Sir Nicholas said last night that they never commented on approaches by individuals to their office.

Labour MPs are determined to maintain the pressure on the government, on an issue which shows no sign of abating while Mr Nadir continues to make a series of headline-grabbing allegations. Lord McAlpine gave the story a boost last night, that will carry it through the weekend to Tuesday's debate on Party funding, when he admitted that it had been a mistake to accept £440,000 from Mr Nadir.

Mr Cook said last night: "We are determined to press the attorney-general to reveal the names of all those who made approaches on Mr Nadir's behalf in order to get all of this matter out in the open."

There is also increasing pressure to discover the alleged links with a minister in a company based in the Isle of Man. The only Polly Peck companies registered on that island were those involved in Mr Nadir's leisure activities, such as Voyager Mediterranean and Voyager Kibris.

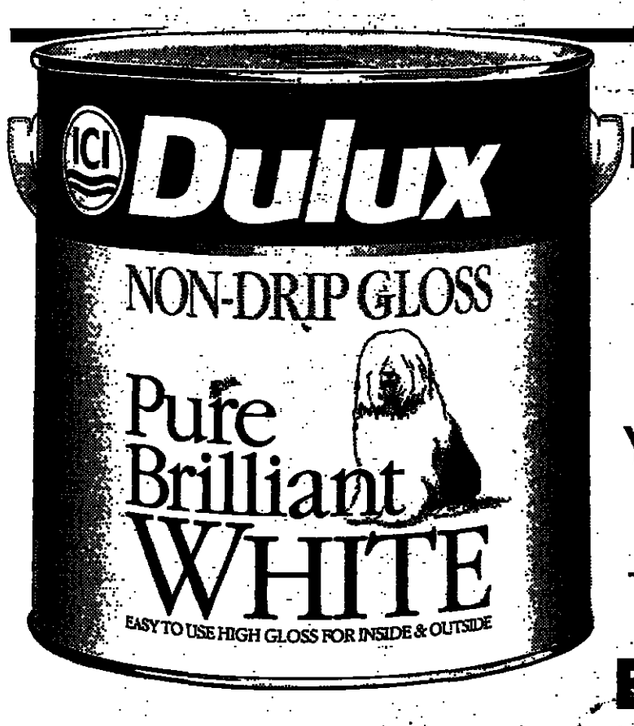
Contact was also made on a cross-party basis via the British Parliamentary Group of the Friends of Northern Cyprus, which supports the Denktas regime in the self-proclaimed republic and advocates its recognition by Britain.

Members of the 131-strong group have made regular visits to northern Cyprus, the latest in April this year, but only one could remember meeting Mr Nadir. All said that their tickets and accommodation had been funded by the government of the self-proclaimed state.

Even a Labour party politician, albeit in local government, was consulted by Mr Nadir. Paul Beasley, former leader of Tower Hamlets council, was a consultant in the mid-eighties when Polly Peck was administered from offices in London's East End.

Sir Peter Blaker, until last year Tory MP for Blackpool South and a former minister of state, had contact with Mr Nadir on a number of occasions and visited the lavishly-appointed Berkeley Square, London, headquarters of Polly Peck International.

Among those MPs who own proprety on the island are Sir Keith Speed, the Tory chairman of the group, John Taylor, Ulster Unionist and Sir Dudley Smith, Conservative.



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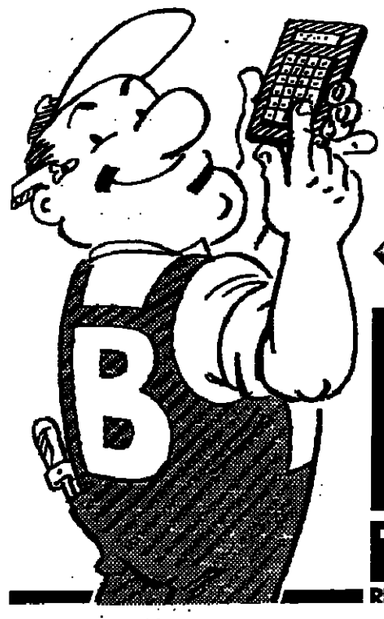
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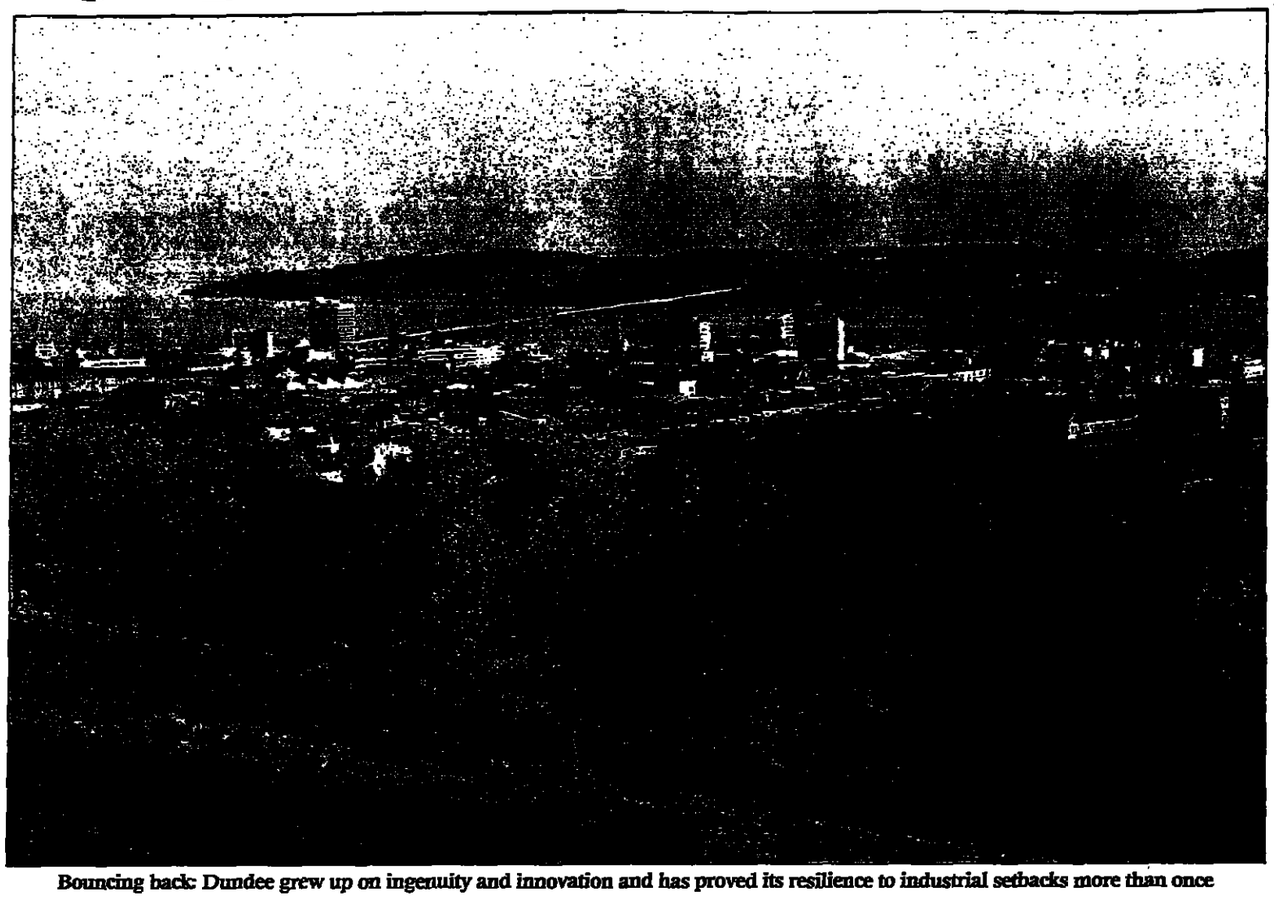
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Dundee battles on in the wake of yet another 'monstrous whale'

Picking up the pieces after Timex

Libby Purves finds a city anxious to refute an image as a Jonah of industrial relations



Bouncing back: Dundee grew up on ingenuity and innovation and has proved its resilience to industrial setbacks more than once

'Twas in the month of December in the year 1883
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And devour the small fishes in the silvery Tay

THE whale celebrated by William McGonagall, the weaver poet and acclaimed master of bathos, still has its bones on display in the city's museum. It was not the last huge visitor from across the seas to bring excitement, prosperity and anticlimax to Scotland's fourth city.

The Ford electronics whale nearly swam in five years ago, but was frightened off to Spain by union demands. Now the final thrashings of the great Timex whale have drawn international attention: its demise, announced this week, has been met with much headshaking about "Red Tayside" and "Scotland's Dole City".

A good story, but not too accurate. The city elders and industrialists have reacted to it with fine fury and a national newspaper campaign — Tayside Fights Back — to be launched next week. Harry Terrell, chief executive of the Chamber of Commerce, fears that "people who are preparing their shopping list of sites might knock Dundee off that list".

Dr Jim Adamson, vice-president in charge of NCR's vast operation in Dundee, was in his office and well up to speed at 7am yesterday, drumming his fingers with irritation and saying crisply: "This does us no good. I was in Brazil two weeks ago, and a banker put a newspaper in front of me with snarling faces from the picket line. He said, 'Is this your area? You do business with these people?' I said, 'Look, we have not lost one hour through industrial action in 12 years, we have skills, there are six universities round here, excellent schools, we export to 102 countries'."

NCR, which went through rocky times when mechanical cash registers lost their market, now makes in Dundee 60 per cent of the world's automatic bank tellers.

Nor is Ford a welcome word here. Andrew Nicoll, political editor of *The Courier & Advertiser*, points out that Tayside is not notably red (losing fewer days from strikes than most of the UK) and is hardly more of a dole city than anywhere else in the UK (unemployment is 12.1 per cent, the national average, and fell last month). Mr Nicoll said: "We broke our backs to bring Ford here. The unions that sabotaged it were down in the Midlands".

As for Timex, it is hard, on close examination, to make it into a powerful symbol. The local radio station's phone-in last week received only two calls about it. The Timex whale, once a mighty beast with 4,200 workers, had shrunk pitifully anyway: the final tally of workers sacked in this spring's dispute was 343. They were as visible as ever outside the gates yesterday, washing up tea mugs in the drizzle and shouting "Scab!" at cars. They had rejected an offer of an *ex gratia* payment to clear off and let 50 of their number work until Christmas.

Today they plan a march. Allan Petrie, the slight, passionate chairman of the strike committee, speaks of management conspiracy: "Christmas is a time for miracles, and if we'd gone back to our machines for less money, mysteriously the plant would get saved by last-minute orders just before the closure."

Dundonians have seen a lot of ends — the end of whaling, the end of jute, the end of shipbuilding; they have retrained and survived. The city grew up on innovation and ingenuity: opposite the council offices is a foundation stone marked "George V laid this stone by electrical connection".

Across the car park from NCR's plant is a small unit where, in the middle of the recession, Derek Shaw, once a director in Keiller's the confectioners, chose to start up a small sweet factory which is now the last remnant of the old sugary trades of the city. After a decade in Dundee — "where I had never wanted to come" — he would not be anywhere else. "The workforce are tough, and suspicious at first. They've been kicked in the teeth a few times. Had companies move in, take the grant, then close down. But they want to work. In England I used to pay attendance allowances to get people in, three quid a day. In Dundee, they turn up." It is not as eloquent as McGonagall, but as a civic tribute, it might do more good in tough times.

Council plans legal red-light districts

By Rachel Kelly
Local Government Correspondent

PROSTITUTES are furious about controversial plans to create officially approved red-light districts in Birmingham.

The English Collective of Prostitutes (ECP) says that to segregate prostitutes from the rest of the community is "little short of opening internment camps". Niki Adams, the group's spokeswoman, said: "Such zones reinforce the segregation of prostitute women and reinforce the idea that they are bad ... Though people have talked about toleration zones in the past, no one has ever gone as far as Birmingham before."

Ms Adams said the ECP would fight the proposals from Birmingham City Council and lobby councillors to do likewise. The ECP has already written to Sir Richard Knowles, the council leader, outlining objections. Ms Adams says that in Utrecht, The Netherlands, women are arrested going back and forth from the toleration zones and that the police wash their hands of the area and refuse to protect women from violence.

Birmingham is the first to consider zones based on the Dutch model where prostitutes could officially ply their trade away from residential areas, probably on industrial estates. The council's community affairs committee is taking action after increasing complaints from residents who object to their neighbourhood being labelled a red-light area.

"We are talking to the local communities and to prostitutes, and people are in favour of considering such zones," Bill Gray, chairman of the committee, said. "Many councillors privately support such a scheme too."

Mr Gray says that police would patrol any such areas in Birmingham. Although such areas would be technically illegal at the moment, Mr Gray says the West Midlands chief constable has discretion to allow one.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Girl, 13, raped near fun-fair

A 13-year-old girl was raped while walking home after a night out with friends at a fun-fair in Willenhall, West Midlands. She later told police her attacker had greasy hands and reeked of oil.

Det Insp Dave Morris said: "It was an extremely terrifying incident. After the rape she ran back to the fairground and spoke to friends."

The man was described as white, in his 20s, with black, collar-length hair and a moustache. Police were last night questioning a 25-year-old man from the Brownhill area of the city.

Sex abuse case

Three senior Scottish judges rejected a move to dismiss a petition to have the sex abuse case against parents of eight Ayrshire children re-opened, paving the way for a debate on whether fresh evidence should be heard.

Coaches crash

Fifty schoolchildren were involved in a crash between two coaches in Pembroke, West Wales. Eleven of the children needed hospital treatment after the collision in Westgate Hill.

Ex-player freed

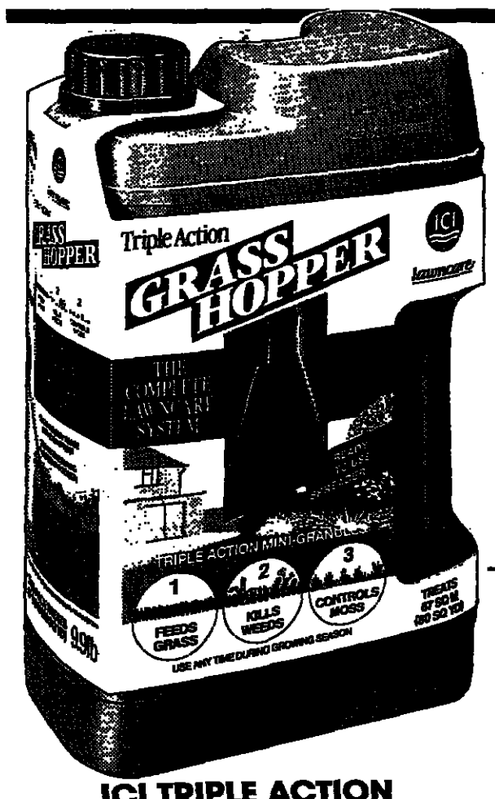
Les Harriott, 32, a former Luton Town footballer, was cleared of murder at St Albans Crown Court. He had been accused of murdering Paul Selth, 27, who died last September after an incident outside a Luton pub.

Armed raid

Steve Golding, an off-duty police inspector, chased armed robbers as they escaped with £100,000 from a supermarket raid in Shoeburyness, Essex.

Hotel to go

The 116-year-old Alexandra Hotel in Bradford, West Yorkshire, which housed the Empire Theatre, performed at by Charlie Chaplin and W.C. Fields, is to be demolished.



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Lecturers predict university staff crisis

By John O'Leary
Education Correspondent

UNIVERSITIES face a staffing crisis by the turn of the century, as the generation of academics who started work in the 1960s reaches retirement, two lecturers' unions warned yesterday.

Half of all university staff will be over 50 in five years' time, and their retirement could cause teaching shortages in higher education at a time when the numbers of students are expected to rise. "Without government action now, the universities stand to be denuded of staff at the turn of the century," the unions said in a submission to ministers.

Almost 20 per cent of lecturers in the old universities are due to retire by 2000. Since the average age for a first academic appointment is 32, most of the replacements will already have graduated.

More students are staying on to take post-graduate courses, but relatively few are taking doctorates and pursuing academic careers.

The Association of University Teachers and the National Association of Teachers in Further and Higher Education argue that low pay and poor career prospects are driving away the best candidates.

"It is no exaggeration to say that a retirement timebomb is ticking inexorably at the heart of the higher education system," the unions' report says.

Among the subjects where the problem of an aging staff is most acute are chemistry, where 25 per cent of lecturers were over 55 in 1991, metallurgy, mechanical engineering, physics and chemical engineering.

The unions calculate that the universities would need to appoint 80 new chemists a year to maintain present staffing levels, but actual recruitment is much lower.

The problem is being addressed already in the social sciences, where the research council launched a £1.7 million programme two years ago to keep students in the academic world.

The unions are pressing ministers to revive a government scheme from the 1980s which gave universities extra money to appoint young dons, as well as raising academic pay.

City firms use battle computer to assess risk of terrorism

By Nick Nuttall, Technology Correspondent

FIRMS in the City of London are using battlefield computer simulations, originally devised to prevent Soviet troops and tanks crossing into western Europe, to identify security weaknesses and improve protection of staff and equipment.

A number of City firms and a Middle Eastern oil company are believed to be involved following recent attacks by the IRA, including the bombing of the Bishopsgate area.

The system, developed by British engineers and security experts, shows the effects of an attack by terrorists and possible routes into buildings and installations. It indicates how counter-terrorist measures might reduce the damage or increase the chances of detecting and catching attackers. Measures could range from adding extra security cameras and turnstiles to erecting a hedge or wall to reduce the impact of a bomb blast.

The technique is being modified so that firms can upgrade systems as terrorists change their tactics. This allows a company to see quickly how a new bombing strategy might undermine security and help suggest counter-measures.

The anti-terrorist computer method has grown out of a secret defence ministry project which has been developed to assess threats to personnel at UK bases.

Paul MacGregor, business development manager at Cambridge Consultants, the firm behind the scheme, said yesterday: "There has been a shift in emphasis from protecting assets like bombs and planes to protecting people in which the MoD has a significant investment." Mr MacGregor, whose firm has been working with the US defence department, said that City firms with inadequate protection could add extra security to reduce insurance premiums which, according to some estimates, could rise by up to 300 per cent because of terrorism. Firms with too much security could also save money by reducing levels.

The new simulator, called the Protection Requirements Model, turns a building into a grid in which the location of key assets, such as staff or a dealing-room computer, is placed along with existing security measures. A "terrorist" then attacks the site and the system calculates the probability of the assailant reaching the key assets.

Maastricht referendum scuppered

By Sheila Gunn
Political Correspondent

THE prospect of the Lords voting for a referendum on the Maastricht treaty virtually vanished yesterday because of a serious error by the Eurosceptics among them.

At the same time, a decision to give the upper House more time to debate amendments could delay MPs' and peers' summer recess until mid-August. The government had pencilled in royal assent, followed by special debates on the social chapter, by late July.

The referendum amendment requires a vote in favour by a majority of the UK electorate before the treaty can be ratified, which would mean non-voters would be counted in with "no" voters. The amendment appears in the names of Lord Blake, the Tory historian; Labour's Lord Stoddart of Swindon; Viscount Tonypandy, the former Speaker of the Commons; and the Duke of Devonshire.

The anti-Maastricht campaigners are now pinning their hopes on a fresh pro-referendum amendment to be tabled at a later stage stating that the result should be based on the number of votes cast and not the entire electorate.



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Kidnap victim's boss tells of race against time

Delayed ransom courier feared for Slater's life

BY PAUL WILKINSON

THE courier carrying Stephanie Slater's £175,000 ransom told a court yesterday how his fears for her life mounted as thick fog hampered his efforts to keep up with the delivery timetable of her kidnapper, Michael Sams.

By the time Kevin Watts reached the drop point, he was almost 90 minutes late. Worse, his covert radio link with a shadowing police operation had quickly broken down. Mr Watts, manager of the estate agency where Miss Slater worked in Great Barr, Birmingham, told the jury at Nottingham Crown Court: "I was in a panic. I was very frightened."

Mr Watts had begun his run on the evening of January 29 last year, a week after Miss Slater, 26, had been abducted by Sams. He received telephone instructions at his office to drive to a telephone box at the railway station in Glossop, Derbyshire, arriving by 7pm. He got there with four minutes to spare. A call directed him to another box, where written instructions taped beneath a shelf pointed him across the Pennines to South Yorkshire.

"As I left Glossop the fog came down," he said. "It was a *real pea-souper.*" He had to ask some joggers if he was on the right road out of town. By the time he reached his next contact point, near Penistone in South Yorkshire, he had already lost radio contact with the police.

More instructions told him to follow a bridle track off the road. He missed the turning in the fog at the first attempt as visibility dropped to less than two yards. The instructions had told him to be in position by 7.47pm, but it was already after 9pm.

As Mr Watts drove along the lane, a traffic cone loomed up in the gloom. A placard pinned to it ordered him to stop and further instructions told him to put the money on a tray on a nearby wall.

Mr Watts said that *in the* dark and mist he could not tell that the wall was in fact the parapet of a bridge over a disused railway line.

Sams, who has admitted kidnapping Miss Slater and demanding money with menaces, was waiting below to pull the tray down with a rope. Sams, 51, from Sutton on Trent, Nottinghamshire, has denied kidnapping and murdering Julie Dart, 18, a Leeds prostitute, in July 1991, and demanding a ransom from West Yorkshire police of £140,000 for her release. He also denies blackmailing British Rail in October 1991 by *demanding* £200,000 *to stop* him derailing a mainline express.

The hearing continues on Monday.



Courier: Watts arrives at court with his wife Julie

THE TIMES WORLD CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

BY RAYMOND KEENE
CHESS CORRESPONDENT

ONE of the strongest players in the House of Commons is the Labour MP Angela Eagle who in her youth won the British Girls Championship. In last week's annual match between the Lords and the Commons, which resulted in an overall 7-4 victory for the lower house, the former girl champion was responsible for the quickest victory.

The match was sponsored by the Brain Trust and The Spectator.

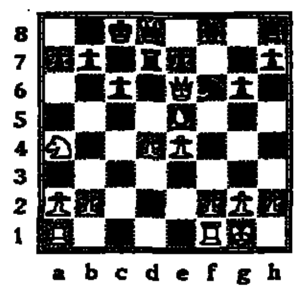
White: Angela Eagle
Black: Douglas Jay
Lords v Commons 1993

Queen's Gambit

1	d4	d5
2	c4	Be6
3	Nc3	dxc4
4	Nf3	c5
5	e4	Qa5
6	Ng5	Na6
7	Nxe6	fxe6
8	Bxc4	Nc7
9	0-0	0-0-0
10	Bf4	g6
11	Be5	Nf6
12	Qb3	Qb6
13	Bxe6+	Nxe6
14	Qxe6+	Rd7
15	Na4	Qd8

Black resigns
With Nc5 coming, Black loses his rook on d7 to the pin

Diagram of final position



Tricks of the trade

Gamesmanship has existed among chess players about as long as the game itself has been played. The 16th century Spanish writer Ruy Lopez advised placing the chessboard in such a way that the sunlight reflected into one's opponent's eyes. In 1617 the Sicilian priest Pietro Carrera in his book *Il Gioco degli Scacchi* advised the chessplayer to do the following: "*Abstain* some *days* from meat to clear his brain as also to let blood, he should take both purgatives and emetics to drive the humours from his body, and he must above all be sure to confess his sins and receive spiritual absolution just before sitting down to play in order to *counteract the demoniacal* influence of magic spells."

In 1972 Boris Spassky during the Reykjavik World Championship had the chair of his opponent Bobby Fischer x-rayed while in 1978 Viktor Korchnoi employed chanting Ananda Marga Gurus to levitate for victory *for him.*

I would like to hear of any examples of gamesmanship in chess employed by or against Times readers. Write and let me know at: Championship Chess, The Times, 1 Pennington St, London E1 9XN.

Karpov flops

Ex-World Champion Anatoly Karpov has just had a reaction to his recent good results. He finished in third place in the tournament in Leon, Spain. First was Yudasin with 7 points from 9 games, 2nd came Vyzmanavin with 6, and Karpov was accompanied in third place, on 5½, by Peter Leko, the 13-year-old Hungarian prodigy. Leko recorded his second grandmaster result and now looks set to become the youngest grandmaster in the history of the game.

Championship update

The Savoy Hotel and Simpsons-in-the-Strand are both providing prestigious hospitality packages to The Times World Chess Championship match between Garry Kasparov and Nigel Short. For information call Simpsons on 071 836 9112. On the spot bond-holders will experience the thrill of being at a live TV event. During the match the Savoy Theatre will be transformed into a giant television studio for the 60 hours of Channel 4 TV coverage.

Winning move. Weekend page 18: Raymond Keene. Magazine, page 40

Federation prepares to suspend director

BY IAN MURRAY

THE publicity director of the British Chess Federation (BCF) is likely to be suspended for the second time this year when the management board meets in London today to agree ideas for taking advantage of *The Times* World Chess Championship.

The motion to suspend Adam Black follows a press release he issued earlier this month calling for the resignation of three fellow directors, including John Poole, the chairman, whom he accused of failing to give adequate support to *The Times* match between Garry Kasparov, the world's best player, and Nigel Short, his British challenger.

Ironically, today's meeting is likely to approve an imaginative *package of promotions* linked to the match. It is also expected to protest about the unexpected decision by Fide, the world governing body, to strip Short and Kasparov of their international ratings for taking part in *The Times* sponsored match.

Stewart Ruebin, one of the directors, said yesterday: "We *believe that the match will draw* attention to the game and spur a lot of people on to take an interest in it. We have to seize the opportunity to transform the popularity of the game." He called the Fide decision over the two players' ratings a disgrace.

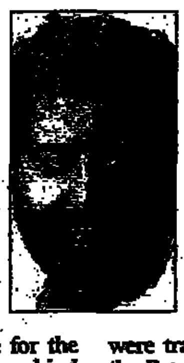
Simon Brown, the international director, said: "There *have been problems in the past* over the match, but we have got to put them behind us now and get on with taking advantage of what is going on."

Islam's tradition of women's rights

Umar Hegedüs

The controversy about the ordination of women priests in the Church of England and the cancellation by the Chief Rabbi of women-only services in synagogues brings wry smiles to the "downtrodden", second-class community of Muslim women of popular imagination.

Muslim women are amused as for more than 1,400 years, since the time of the Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings upon him), they have been able to worship and fulfil the spiritual duties and obligations their faith requires, without the aid or intervention of any priest, either male or female. This may surprise those raised on images of stern "*religious* leaders", when in fact, there is no clergy or institutional hierarchy in Sunni Islam. It does not teach that Eve seduced Adam to become responsible for the expulsion of humankind from the garden, as in the Old Testament. As Satan led them astray, Islam considers them equally responsible. This equality is clarified in the Koran, the main source of Islamic teaching: as Allah tells men and women of their duties, responsibilities and rewards.



The main religious duties of every Muslim male and female are the five daily prayers, annual fasting during the month of Ramadan, annual payment of welfare due and Hajj (pilgrimage). Daily prayers are said individually or preferably in a group. It is perfectly possible and proper for women to choose a knowledgeable and good woman to lead them in prayer.

In many Islamic societies women's daily spiritual lives are fulfilled through prayer, reading the Koran and women's Dhikr (remembrance of Allah), conducted entirely without recourse to the involvement of men. In many countries, Britain included, women go to Mosques as well as enjoy religious activities at home. Women face difficulties only when the behaviour of men, and supposedly Islamic governments, fails to implement some of the faith's teachings.

Over the centuries women have played a considerable role in Islamic communities. When the Prophet Muhammad led the Muslim community, women who came to Madinah achieved full citizenship, status of "Companion of the Prophet", the right to enter community councils and to speak freely to the Prophet. Much of the information and verification *of the second major* source of Islamic teaching, the Hadith — reports of the sayings and actions of the Prophet Muhammad — were transmitted by Aisha, the Prophet's wife.

Islam championed the status of women, granting them human, civil, social and economic rights. A Muslim woman has complete control of her possessions and may keep her maiden name after marriage. *Since* the seventh century she has been entitled to enter into contracts and conduct business without her husband's consent.

Muslim women know that dignity, human rights and full participation in society are integral to Islam. They are neither the gift of Muslim men nor a liberal democracy but "God given". Denial is in contradiction to and ignorance of Allah's teachings and the example of the Prophet Muhammad.

□ *The writer is director of Amana, which promotes understanding of Islam and its followers*

Third 'new' county headed for abolition

BY RACHEL KELLY
LOCAL GOVERNMENT CORRESPONDENT

THE return to traditional English county names is expected to continue next week with a proposal to abolish Humberside. The abolition of Avon and Cleveland, the two other unpopular counties created in the 1974 reorganisation, has already been recommended by the Local Government Commission.

On Monday, the commission is expected to suggest that the county and council of Humberside be replaced by four new councils based on the existing districts and a fifth council based on the city and county of Hull.

The Association of District Councils welcomed the proposals, but the Association of County Councils said it would create a worse system of government that would cost more. The association's Tony Millns said: "There will have to be more joint arrangements to handle strategic services."

The commission is expected to recommend that the northern part of Humberside returns to Yorkshire and the south to Lincolnshire. The districts of East Yorkshire, Beverley and Holderness will form a new unitary council combining the functions of county and district councils and will be named the East Riding. Other unitary councils will be created from the merger of Selby and Boothferry, Glanford and Scunthorpe, and Grimsby and Cleethorpes districts.

In Yorkshire, the city of York is expected to become a unitary council. Two others created from the four districts of Scarborough, Ryedale, Richmond and Hambleton will be named the North Riding, and the districts of Harrogate and Craven the West Riding. Although the old Ridings will return in name, they will not match exactly the geographical boundaries.

The commission is believed to have had some difficulty in devising a pattern of local government in Lincolnshire, but is expected to recommend no change, leaving it with both county and district councils.

Jewish eruv plan is revived

BY RUTH GLEDHILL, RELIGION CORRESPONDENT

PLANS to create an eruv, an area which allows Orthodox Jews to move more freely on the sabbath, have been revived in north London.

The plan, which has divided the area's large jewish community, was thrown out by Barnet council earlier this year but a modified plan was submitted this week.

The eruv was to have a circumference of 11 miles, of which 10.4 miles consisted of existing boundaries such as the M1 and the Northern Line underground. It was proposed to erect 85 poles and 940 metres of steel wire to complete the boundary.

The new plans replace galvanised steel wire with transparent nylon line, and reduce the number of posts to 80. Existing lampposts would be used instead. The wire, which will be almost invisible, has been proposed after discussions with the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds made clear that it did not threaten birdlife.

An eruv would allow Orthodox Jews within it to push wheelchairs and carry objects, including keys and baby cots, outside the home on the sabbath, a day of family time and spiritual pursuits.

There are more than 100 eruvs in America, including the Georgetown eruv in Washington DC which takes in the White House, Capitol Hill and the Supreme Court.



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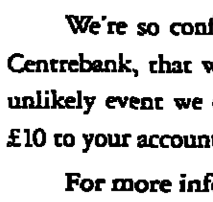
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Japanese brace for snap election after Miyazawa loses vote

FROM JOANNA PITMAN
IN TOKYO

■ Political corruption led to demands for reforms which the prime minister could not deliver. His defeat may spell the end of the Liberal Democrats' 38 years in power

WITH the unity of Japan's ruling Liberal Democratic Party in tatters and the future of Kiichi Miyazawa in jeopardy after a no-confidence motion was adopted by the Diet, the beleaguered prime minister announced the dissolution of the chamber and is expected to call an election within 40 days.

The vote, which passed by 255-220 — a wider than expected margin — was triggered by charges from opposition parties and rebel LDP members that the prime minister had abandoned his promises to introduce political reform designed to clean up the money-driven political system that is largely responsible for winning him his position.

At least 11 LDP rebels who rallied behind the pro-reform banner flourished by Tsutomu Hata, the former finance minister, and his faction, resigned from their party after the vote. They pledged to form a new reformist group aligned with some opposition members to harness the public's growing disgust with the workings of the LDP. The party's practices have been exposed in numerous corruption and bribery scandals over the past few years and it has held on to power since 1955.

A triumphant Mr Hata said that the no-confidence vote was just the first step in a process of reviving Japanese politics in the eyes of the people.

"We have to make major changes to the system to win back the trust of the people. Real political reform is our intention. I am deadly serious about it," he added. For his part, Mr Miyazawa issued a statement of regret, saying that he had "made the utmost efforts to carry out political reform, but had been unable to strike a compromise with the opposition over ways to proceed".

Sadao Yamahana, chairman of the main opposition Socialist Party, which has not been known for mounting any significant opposition to the LDP in years, leapt into a new self-styled role as champion of the people and declared that a mountain had moved. "The dictatorial 38-year rule of the LDP is coming to an end," it proclaimed.

Analysts are expecting the election to be scheduled for July 18. It will not be a straightforward contest. Like the four main opposition parties, the LDP's dissidents appear to be united only temporarily by the slogan of political reform.

The precise makeup of the latest manifestation of Japan's long-awaited reform legislation has become the subject of heated argument over the past months and it is this which lit the fuse that led to last night's explosive outcome in the lower house of the Diet.

The LDP itself, weakened already by party resignations and the shame of the no-confidence motion, is suffering from diminished campaign coffers as a result of reduced donations from corporations that have been affected by the recession. Its position of power looks more threatened today than it has done for years. "One-party rule by the conservative, pro-American LDP has come to an end," Jesper Koll, an economist, said. "After a long period of stability, the coming months will resemble an era of political chaos as the political class reorganises itself. It could take years before political stability returns."

Whether the issue of general political reform will pull through the predicted chaos alive is not clear, but it seems likely that the political instability on the horizon will allow the bureaucracy to tighten its grip on the running of the country.

Western alarm, page 1



Not so lucky: Kiichi Miyazawa, whose political fate hangs in the balance after a defeat in the Diet, painting in the eye of a doll to bring his party luck in local elections in Tokyo yesterday

Seoul is fearful of rapid rise in missiles

BY DAVID WATTS

NORTH Korea's testing of a long-range missile that can hit anywhere in South Korea or western Japan raises the spectre of a new round of missile proliferation, Dr Han Sung Joo, the South Korean foreign minister, said.

Already a source of Scud missiles for buyers including Iran and Syria, the North Koreans have extended the range of the original Russian series. Dr Han said there had been recent discussions on further missile deliveries by Pyongyang, which has an economy close to collapse, but no new purchases.

The testing of three examples of the new missile followed North Korea's announcement that it would not, after all, leave the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty. In view of this, Dr Han believes the North's options have narrowed considerably. "It will be very difficult for them to reverse their position now and it means that they will now be bound by the safeguard aspects of the treaty," he said.

Falling star exposes void ahead of G7

Tokyo's big chance to showcase its fitness for a world leadership role has now been shattered, writes ***Joanna Pitman*** *in Tokyo*



Hata: dissident who forced party split

Kiichi Miyazawa's star could scarcely have fallen further or faster. In less than a week he has tumbled from a position as one of the developed world's most stable leaders, basking in the afterglow of an imperial wedding and virtually fending off invitations for Japan to join the United Nations Security Council, to being a manifestly insubstantial prime minister whose fragile grip on his party has been cruelly exposed.

With less than three weeks to go before leaders of the Group of Seven (G7) industrial nations convene in Tokyo for what was supposed to be his big chance to showcase Japan's and his own stature and fitness for a world political role, the whole facade has collapsed around him.

Mr Miyazawa must now call an election within 40 days. But neither his Liberal Democratic Party's prospects nor his own look in any way enviable.

The LDP, which has held uninterrupted power since 1955, appears to be irrevocably split by a dissident pro-reform faction led by Tsutomu Hata, a former finance minister. Some analysts are predicting the departure of the Hata faction from the LDP, the formation of a new and, for the first time in almost 40 years, potent opposition, and a possible defeat for the LDP in the election.

Whether the LDP's pro-reform renegades will be able to reconcile their many differences with the four main opposition parties to form a viable new group is unclear, but they have created for themselves the best chance in decades to exploit the public's growing disaffection with the LDP's corrupt political machine.

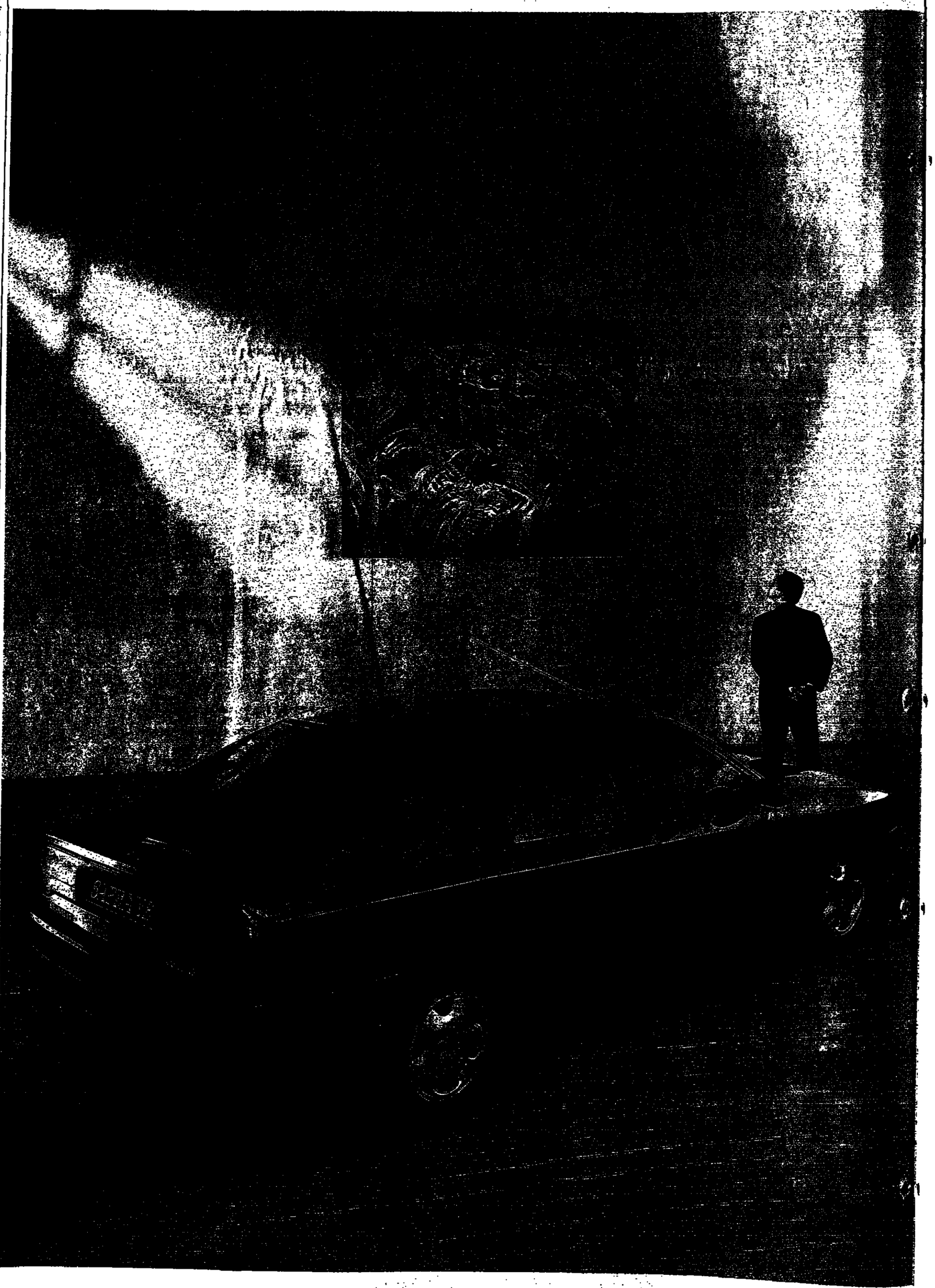
Their cause will have been boosted by the publication this week of a survey showing that the average Japanese politician has four times the assets of the average Japanese citizen and LDP members have, at a conservative estimate, an average of $1.25 million (£827,000) in personal assets, three times more than the average assets of opposition MPs.

Although his bank balance may be healthier than he would like to admit, Mr Miyazawa's political future looks dim. A television poll yesterday revealed that 9 per cent support and 81 per cent disapprove of his cabinet.

The week has been a shaming one for the former finance minister who took over the party leadership in November 1991 as the saviour of the LDP's image, the thinking man's prime minister concerned not with the normal Japanese agenda of pork-barrel politics but with more cerebral and internationalist issues.

More humiliation is in store in the second week of July when Mr Miyazawa, 73, will have to host the G7 summit from a position of impotence. Neither he nor his cabinet will be capable of producing any meaningful statements on issues in which Japan's decisions are vital. Its views on the future of the Gatt Uruguay Round, stabilisation of foreign exchange markets and new aid to Russia will all have to be glossed over.

The turmoil has served to reinforce an essential point in Japanese politics: that the prime minister is seldom invested with the power to rule either party or country. Often he merely has a bit part in a performance that has been, at least for most of the last 38 years, a machine run by factional bosses for maintaining power by distributing huge sums of money from big business to key constituencies.



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America brands China as human rights renegade

FROM JONATHAN MIRSKY IN HONG KONG

■ China's steam-roller tactics in Vienna have angered America, which is anxious not to allow cultural relativism to become the last refuge of repression

IN LANGUAGE recalling the chilliest days of the Cold War, Timothy Wirth, head of the American delegation to the United Nations world conference on human rights in Vienna, has described China as "at the forefront of a handful of renegade nations".

Mr Wirth's attack came after the Chinese made its weight felt, nearly succeeding in keeping the Dalai Lama out of the conference building and then browbeating conference organisers into preventing non-governmental organisations from taking a hand in the conference's conclusions.

The American noted that states led by China, attempting to limit the scope of the conference's final statement, "have power far beyond their status and America cannot allow itself to be frustrated". To ensure that American rage was not misunderstood, John Shattuck, Mr Wirth's deputy, said: "We will not hesitate to crack heads with our opponents and isolate those who are being most obstructive."

These blunt remarks contrast with the careful language used by President Clinton last month when he provisionally renewed China's most favoured nation trading status. Although Mr Clinton's criticism of China was unmistakable, his remarks were cautious and hopeful "that there has to be some progress on human rights and the use of prison labour", while on Tibet he merely expected the Chinese to take some "first steps".

Mr Wirth was hurt by China's steam-roller tactics and the sting in his observations was described by an American diplomat in Hong Kong as no mistake. "We are trying to be careful with Peking on a bilateral basis, but it's a different matter in international forums."

In addition to pressing the UN, at the level of the secretary-general, to keep the Dalai Lama from addressing a meeting of non-government organisations — when the Tibetan leader was finally permitted a room it was so small that he had to give his speech in a park — China has mobilised 70 countries out of the 160 in Vienna to support its views on human rights. These countries are opposing a Washington-backed plan for a UN Commissioner on Human Rights who would be empowered to intervene in particular countries where there is evidence of human rights abuse.

Such interference is wormwood to Peking, whose view was encapsulated in the Bangkok declaration last month, to which most Asian nations acceded. The Chinese belief that human rights are a matter for individual countries was repeated at the Vienna conference by Liu Huaqiu, the foreign minister, who reaffirmed that in the Third World subsistence is the basic human right. Countries such as Iran, Syria, Indonesia, Burma and Yemen, whose human rights records have been frequently attacked, have sided with the Chinese view that there is no absolute human rights standard.

That view provoked Warren Christopher, the American Secretary of State, into telling the Vienna conference: "We cannot let cultural relativism become the last refuge of repression."

But this opinion is disputed in Vienna and when Jimmy Carter, the former president, attempted to put the same case to the conference he was barracked off the platform.

Peking's main victory came in keeping the non-governmental organisations away from drafting the final statement on the grounds, according to one excluded delegate, that "we don't need babysitters".

Kenneth Roth, the acting executive director of the Human Rights Watch based in New York, said: "By succumbing to this blackmail, the United Nations sinks to the level of its most repressive members."



Masked protest: members of non-governmental organisations don masks of the Burmese dissident Aung San Suu Kyi in protest against a speech by Burma's foreign minister at the UN conference on human rights in Vienna

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Cambodia factions to share power

FROM KEVIN COONEY IN PHNOM PENH

THE leaders of Cambodia's two main parties — Hun Sen, the incumbent prime minister, and Prince Norodom Ranariddh, who won last month's election — reached agreement yesterday on how to share power in an interim administration until a constitution can be written, a government spokesman said.

"It is historic that we came to an agreement on how to share power," said Sok An, a spokesman for Mr Hun Sen's Cambodian People's Party.

Prince Norodom Sihanouk, Prince Ranariddh's father but a neutral head of state, will serve as the commander-in-chief of the armed forces while the newly elected National Assembly drafts a constitution, due by the end of August. No other details of the compromises reached yesterday were given.

The two leaders, who agreed on Wednesday to serve as co-chairmen of an interim administration, were working under pressure from Prince Sihanouk. He said yesterday that failure to form an interim government would play into the hands of the Khmer Rouge, the Maoist faction which is battling Phnom Penh forces in the provinces. *(Reuter)*

☐ Payments agreed: The UN should help keep the calm in post-election Cambodia by allocating $60 million (£40 million) to pay civil servants for six months until a new government can take over the task, delegates from key donor countries to Cambodia agreed yesterday. *(AP)*

Talks over colony's airport advance

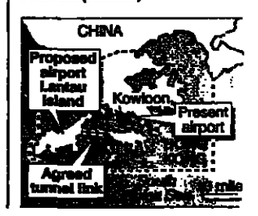
FROM DAVID STAMP IN HONG KONG

CHINA and Britain hav struck their first agreement c Hong Kong's new airpo since the project became i volved in arguments over t colony's future.

At a meeting of the airpo committee yesterday the tw sides agreed on a franchise f a third road tunnel unde Hong Kong harbour to lin the central business distri with the airport on an outlyir island. The agreement clea the way for the government award a franchise to desig build and operate the tunnel a consortium which is 48 p cent-owned by companies co trolled by the Chinese.

Tony Galsworthy, Britair chief negotiator, emphasis that the wider issue of fundi the whole project had yet to l settled. He said the committ would meet again soon to t to break the deadlock on t overall financing package.

While Hong Kong's prese and future rulers are at la making modest progress economic issues, China co tinued to criticise Britain stand at constitutional talk Last year the airport wa dragged into the debate ove the proposals by Chris Patter the governor, for democrati reform. *(Reuter)*



Report on birth angers Peking

BY JONATHAN MIRSKY, EAST ASIA EDITOR

THE Chinese State Council has accused Nicholas Kristof, China correspondent of *The New York Times*, of inventing facts for a story on population control.

Such accusations are frequently levelled at Western journalists in China, but Mr Kristof, who with his wife Sheryl WuDunn, won the Pulitzer Prize for reporting on the 1989 Tiananmen killings, is an especially tempting target. In taking him on, however, the council also reveals Chinese sensitivity about their one child per family policy.

Last April, Mr Kristof wrote about Li Qiuliang, of Hunan province, who was forced to undergo an induced birth in her seventh month of pregnancy. The reason? To give birth in December 1992 rather than 1993 because of "China's complex quota system for births". Nine hours after delivery, the baby died. Mr Kristof said Ms Li "spends her time lying in bed, emotionally crushed and physically crippled".

Mr Kristof's story, the council charged this week, "did not tally with the facts". Ms Li gave birth after nine months, it claims, and no birth was induced. The baby was very small and suffered from poor breathing, and despite the efforts of local doctors she died. Finally, it asserts, that the mother's poor health is not the result of childbirth but of diseases she has suffered since youth.

Mr Kristof stands by his story. He said: "It was based on internal documents and I checked the facts with a local official who confirmed them. Local people were very unhappy about what happened to Li and the authorities didn't know what to do. Now they are either covering up or the state is just making this up."

China certainly has a population problem. With 1.17 billion people, or 22 per cent of the world's population, on less than 7 per cent of the world's arable land, it faces grave food problems in the future.

Although its allegedly non-coercive measures, including sterilisation, widespread contraception and rigid birth quotas, have gained notoriety, they have also achieved results. Between 1987 and 1992, the birth rate dropped from 23.33 to 18.24 per thousand

General turns to the clans for 'a thousand men and arms'

UN hunt goes on to capture fugitive Somali warlord

BY SAM KILEY IN MOGADISHU AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF

WITHIN six hours of being driven from his stronghold in central Mogadishu, General Muhammad Farrah Aidid appealed to other clan leaders for "1,000 men and arms" to strike back at United Nations forces, senior sources close to a clan leader said yesterday.

As the remnants of his militiamen where being driven from the Somali capital, the general turned to Ugas Khalif, head of the largely neutral Hawadle clan. Cobra helicopter gunships were airborne in the search for his whereabouts when General Aidid secretly met the ugas near the Bokara market where the general is thought to be hiding.

But Ugas Khalif, the most powerful of the traditional leaders in Somalia, rejected his appeals. "He was told that he should look for peace; that Somalia has had enough war," said a fellow member of the Hawadle clan which inhabit an area northwest of Mogadishu around Belet Huen.

General Aidid's appeal, though rejected, tends to confirm that far from surrendering, he is trying to build a new power base to strike back at the UN.

Although President Clinton asserted in Washington that the operations against the warlord had finished and had been successful, Admiral James Howe, the UN special representative to Somalia, made it clear that efforts to capture him would continue.

Most of his army had been based not in the city but close to his home town in Galkayo, about 200 miles to the northwest. Security sources said that he may have as many as 200 tanks as well as artillery in that region. Military officials pointed out that "any military threat or illegal weapons cache would be open to attack".

The UN, holding 44 suspected members of the Aidid entourage, said that "heavy casualties" had been inflicted on the general's men. One Pakistani and four Moroccan soldiers had been killed while 46 UN soldiers were wounded in Thursday's fighting.

Yesterday the UN had only a skeleton force on the streets of Mogadishu. Admiral Howe reaffirmed that they had been given orders to arrest General Aidid. "I have issued instructions to Lieutenant General Cevic Bir (the UN military commander), that if feasible Aidid should be detained," he said.

The admiral said he was confident that detaining General Aidid would be legal under UN Security Council resolution 837 which mandated him to find those responsible for organising a massacre of 23 Pakistanis.

About 130 of the warlord's men had been billeted in the compound which had come under attack on Thursday about 300 yards from the UN headquarters in the former US embassy. "The mission had been designed to destroy Aidid's arms caches, and the command and control element of his compound," Lieutenant Colonel Trevor Jones, a UN forces spokesman said.

The Digfer hospital became a main UN target when General Aidid's militia used it as a machinegun and sniper position; Dr Mohamed Fuji said at the hospital that many had died there.

Colonel Jones denied reports that the hospital had been shelled or that TOW anti-tank missiles had been fired at it from Cobra helicopters. Reporters touring the site found remnants of several warheads which were handed to the UN for analysis.

Somalis in southern Mogadishu appeared indifferent to the attacks and began returning their lives to normal yesterday; small groups of youths and women, however, shouted obscenities at passing foreigners.

"I'm a bit worried about how Aidid's supporters will react. There may not be many gunmen left in the city, but they could start some sort of terrorist campaign against expatriates," said Mike McDonagh, head of the Irish aid agency, Concern.

In the crowded market area close to Bokara, gunmen openly carried machineguns. Civilians were on the lookout for Americans whom they blame for the attacks on the general.

UN troops carried out small operations in search of weapons in quieter areas, but were absent from more risky parts of the city.



Aidid: believed to be hiding in market area



Somali anger: a boy in Mogadishu threatens foreigners with a stick, shouting at them to leave the area near General Aidid's house after it was overrun by UN troops

☐ **Looking ahead:** Establishing a permanent military command and control headquarters inside the UN in New York should be the most important priority for the secretary-general, Lord Owen said in his Lord Mayor's lecture at Governors Hall in London, yesterday. Any minister of even a modest sized country would regard such a system as essential. He was echoing a call made by Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary.

At the same time, it became apparent in Washington that the White House was drafting plans to accept greater American involvement in UN peacekeeping operations while dropping its capability of fighting two wars at the same time.

The boosting of UN peacekeeping efforts forms part of a strategy of "assertive multilateralism", an expression coined by Madeleine Albright, the US ambassador to the UN. Under this strategy, the administration plans to widen the role which US troops will play in the future in UN-sponsored peacekeeping operations. Most significant is the apparent willingness by the US government to submit to greater UN authority over US troops and to allow troops to participate in more peacekeeping operations than was the case in the past.

This in turn would come as part of a general increase in the peace-keeping staff level at the UN.

Serb-Croat deal aims to finalise ethnic divisions

■ *President Izetbegovic has spurned his foes' plan. If the Bosnian president is deposed, however, Serbs and Croats could do business with his successor*

BY TIM JUDAH, BALKANS CORRESPONDENT, GEORGE BROCK AND MARTIN FLETCHER

SERBS and Croats are involved in intensive talks to resolve all their outstanding problems, a leading Croatian official has disclosed.

The revelations, made in the Zagreb newspaper *Globus*, confirm that the Croatian and Serbian governments are moving rapidly towards the formal carve-up of Bosnia-Herzegovina and even a deal over Krajina, the Serb-held area within Croatia. Josip Manolic, who is in charge of negotiations with the Serbs, said: "We have set up intensive lines of contact between Zagreb and Belgrade and between Zagreb and Knin and Pakrac [in Krajina]." Mr Manolic, who was reported to have visited Serbia recently for secret talks, said: "Croatia can talk with anyone in power in Serbia. We also need to talk with the opposition."

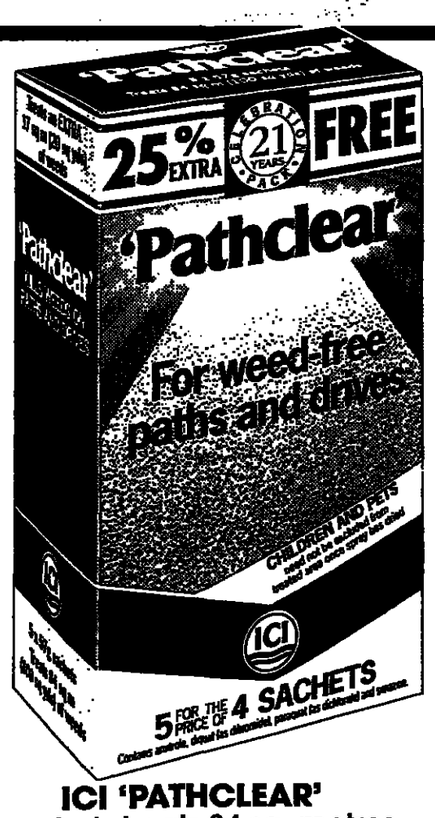
The confirmation comes as no surprise as Bosnian-Croat forces have recently begun to co-operate with their former enemies the Bosnian Serbs in their fight against their now common Muslim foe. On Wednesday, President Milosevic of Serbia and President Tudjman of Croatia sealed the death of the Vance-Owen plan and were asked by Lord Owen to return to Geneva next Wednesday with details of their proposed division of the country.

After the open acknowledgement that the Vance-Owen plan is beyond resuscitation, European Community foreign ministers are to hold an emergency meeting on the eve of their summit in Copenhagen. Hasty plans were being made in Brussels last night to call the ministers to a meeting on Sunday evening after Lord Owen had spent several hours in the Danish capital yesterday briefing the Danish prime minister and foreign minister.

Klaus Kinkel, Germany's foreign minister, made brutally clear yesterday that he would like to see the EC admit that the plan was dead. "If the Vance-Owen plan has really totally failed," he said, "we may have to accept that — albeit with gritted teeth. And we do not want to accept that alone." In Washington, the Clinton administration was neither encouraging nor discouraging Bosnia's Muslim government to accept the partition plan proposed by the Serbs and Croats, but a softening of the American position seems bound to intensify the pressure on it to accede. President Clinton signalled that he would accept Bosnia's partition into Serb, Croat and Muslim sections if all three of the warring parties freely agreed to such a plan.

Mr Clinton said on Thursday that he had wanted to preserve Bosnia as a "multi-ethnic state" but acknowledged that the conflict had "not been resolved in the way that I certainly would have hoped". If the belligerents agreed "genuinely and honestly" to Bosnia's three-way partition, "the US would have to look very seriously" at it.

President Izetbegovic of Bosnia has rejected the Serbo-Croat partition plans but a rumour in diplomatic circles persisted last night that he could be deposed when the Bosnian presidency meets in Zagreb on Sunday. The man tipped to replace Mr Izetbegovic is Fikret Abdic, the undisputed chieftain of the northwestern Bihac pocket and a man the Bosnian Serbs and Croats feel they can do business with.



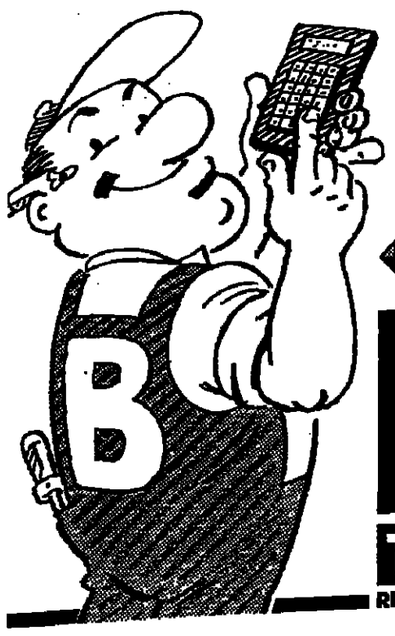
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Clinton gives star performance under new showman's direction

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

PRESIDENT Clinton, the least popular new president of modern times, sought to convince the American people that he had turned the corner with a sparkling performance during a nationally-televised news conference that had even die-hard Republicans expressing admiration.

Looking relaxed and confident, the president eloquently stitched together a series of modest achievements this week to declare boldly on Thursday night that "America is on the move". This was Mr Clinton's first news conference during peak evening viewing hours, and stamped all over it was the mark of David Gergen, the president's new counsellor, who in two weeks has converted the administration's distrust of the White House press corps into a campaign of aggressive salesmanship.

Gone was the old presidential defensiveness. In came the sort of upbeat exaggerations that Mr Gergen used to supply for President Reagan, an impressive thick, black folder full of facts and a series of colourful charts of the sort pioneered by Ross Perot, the former presidential candidate.

Haley Barbour, the Republican party chairman, argued yesterday that Mr Clinton's problem lay in his programme, not his public relations, but he was forced to concede that Mr Clinton was a "tremendous performer".

The event was timed to exploit favourable developments which Mr Clinton trumpeted as "an impressive and an important series of victories". The Senate finance committee's approval of an amended version of his $500 billion (£330 billion) deficit reduction plan was "remarkable progress" that showed "we are putting our economic house in order".

He also cited the Senate's defeat of a Republican filibuster against campaign finance reform, and congressional progress towards enactment of his national service programme. He even proclaimed the United Nations' American-led military operations in Somalia a "success".

☐ **General retires:** Maj-Gen Harold Campbell of the US Air Force agreed to retire after an enquiry found he broke rules by calling Mr Clinton a "pot-smoking", "womanising" and "draft-dodging" commander-in-chief.

The two-star general made the comments at an awards banquet several weeks ago in The Netherlands. Gen Campbell received non-judicial punishment and agreed to pay fines of between $6,000 and $7,000. *(AFP)*

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Britain to pay for nuclear clean-up

BY MICHAEL BINYON
DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

BRITAIN and Australia yesterday announced tentative agreement on Australia's claim for British compensation to clean up the Maralinga test site, used by British nuclear scientists in the 1950s.

After two days of tough negotiations involving Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, Gareth Evans, the Australian foreign minister, and Simon Crean, the energy minister, agreed to recommend to the Australian cabinet a proposal for a British ex-gratia payment to settle outstanding Australian claims. No figure has been announced, but Australia has been pressing Britain to pay most of the cost, estimated at £40 million, for a secondary clean-up of the site, 600 miles northwest of Adelaide.

Australia had signed an agreement in 1968 releasing Britain from responsibility for damage to the site, but it has since been discovered that some 37 square miles are still severely contaminated.

Nigerian poll delay regretted

London: Britain yesterday "deeply regretted" the court order holding up the release of the official results of the Nigerian presidential election (Michael Binyon writes).

A strong statement by the Foreign Office said this "inevitably raised questions about whether the transition to civilian rule by 27 August will proceed".

Pretoria threat

Johannesburg: The South African government has demanded that the Pan Africanist Congress be banned from constitutional talks if it refuses to repudiate guerrilla war. *(Reuter)*

Barman hangs

Kuala Lumpur: Michael McAuliffe, 38, an Australian bartender, was hanged in a Malaysian prison for trafficking in 5oz of heroin in 1985. *(Reuter)*

Rights ruling

Washington: The Supreme Court has allowed a Nevada convict to claim that being forced to share a cell with an inmate who smoked five packets a day violates his constitutional rights. *(AP)*

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Ukraine uses nuclear arsenal to bolster image abroad



Kravchuk: with the weapons in place, he has "a place at the top table"

FROM ANNE MCELVOY IN KIEV

■ America is cajoling Ukraine into ratifying the long-delayed Start I. Until that arms accord is finalised, Start 2, agreed by Presidents Bush and Yeltsin, cannot proceed

IN THE centre of Kiev on a Saturday morning, a vociferous band of young demonstrators gathers to tell the passers-by what they think of nuclear weapons. They carry balloons and bright banners and soon gather an appreciative crowd around them in the busy Kreshchatik Street.

These protesters are every bit as passionate as the CND campaigners of yesteryear, but the message could not be more different. They want to keep Ukraine's nuclear status, which they see as a defence against any future attempt by Russia to restore hegemony and a guarantee of importance in global affairs which would otherwise elude the former Soviet republic.

President Kravchuk is prone to informing visitors: "With nuclear weapons we have a place at the top table," and despite his protestations that he intends to rid the republic of the missiles on its territory, he knows how valuable they are to a small, disorganised country which struggles with inferiority complexes caused by being Russia's downtrodden neighbour through several centuries.

There is even a badge modelled on the peacemiks' inevitable declaration: "Atomic weapons: No thanks!" but reading "Yes please!" and balloons showing a heart and the message "I love SS24s", referring to the 46 strategic missiles which with 176 long-range weapons and a number of airborne missiles make up the republic's nuclear arsenal — the third largest in the world.

In the uncompromising words of Lieutenant-General Vladimir Tolubko of the parliamentary defence and security committee: "Only a fool would give up the weapons". In reality, only the extremists dream of turning Ukraine into a permanent nuclear power. But even Leonid Kuchma, the pragmatic prime minister and previously head of one of the world's largest missile plants, announced at the beginning of the month to cheers in parliament that Ukraine should declare itself a temporary nuclear state. He was reported to have warned deputies against speeding up ratification of the Start I and Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaties saying, "Ukraine will be in the same position as the Soviet Union, which got all sorts of promises during the *perestroika* era and in the end received nothing."

In fact Washington has offered £120 million to Ukraine to help dismantle the weapons, clean up the nuclear sites and build up the republic's defences. Kiev claims it needs more than £1.3 billion.

Les Aspin, the American defence secretary, visited Kiev last week in an attempt to cajole Ukraine into speedy ratification of the Start 1 accord, signed by Mikhail Gorbachev in the summer of 1991 after nine years of grinding negotiation. Without this, Start 2, the more ambitious treaty agreed between Presidents Bush and Yeltsin last December, cannot proceed.

The key question is ownership of highly enriched uranium which will be a by-product of the missiles' destruction and worth some $5 billion (£3.3 billion) over the next 20 years. To secure this, the Ukraine must establish that it is the owner of the weapons, a matter left unclear in the 1992 Lisbon Protocol aimed at ensuring that all former Soviet states co-operated in ratifying Start I.

Some of the blame must fall on Washington for putting pressure on Belorussia, Kazakhstan and Ukraine to accept hurriedly the status of non-nuclear republics, while trying to secure their adherence to a nuclear weapons treaty, thus giving Kiev a pretext to delay ratification.

Russia, meanwhile, is moving away from its original commitment that the weapons are under the control of the Commonwealth of Independent States and Moscow's defence ministry has taken over many of the negotiations about them. At the same time relations between Ukraine and Russia have deteriorated. Fears about Moscow's eventual intentions, coupled with an increase in sophistication about arms negotiations, have led Kiev to conclude that it would be unwise to give away its powerful bargaining chip without a very good deal in return. But it cannot work out what would be good enough.

☐ Fleet split: Division of the Black Sea Fleet will begin in September this year to avoid disintegration of its command and to patch up relations between Moscow and Kiev, President Kravchuk announced (Robert Seely writes).

Returning from his "Slavic summit" with President Yeltsin in Moscow, where the two leaders agreed to divide the 384-ship fleet along equal lines, Mr Kravchuck said: "The fleet can no longer remain in its present condition."

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President flees as mutinous troops advance on Baku

FROM ANATOL LIEVEN IN BAKU AND MICHAEL BINYON

PRESIDENT Elchibey of Azerbaijan left Baku and effectively abandoned power early yesterday. The move came after a rebellion against his Popular Front rule had swept to the gates of the capital.

Effective power now falls into the hands of Heidar Aliyev, the former communist leader, under whom Mr Elchibey went to prison as a dissident. Mr Aliyev, elected earlier this week as chairman of parliament, announced yesterday that he was assuming temporary presidential powers, a move attacked as illegal by Popular Front deputies.

Mr Aliyev went on nationwide television to confirm that President Elchibey had fled to the Azerbaijani autonomous republic of Nakhichevan, which is separated from the rest of the country by Armenian territory and which borders on Turkey and Iran. Turkish diplomats said that Mr Elchibey has not applied for political asylum. Mr Elchibey is reported to be in his hometown of Ordubad.

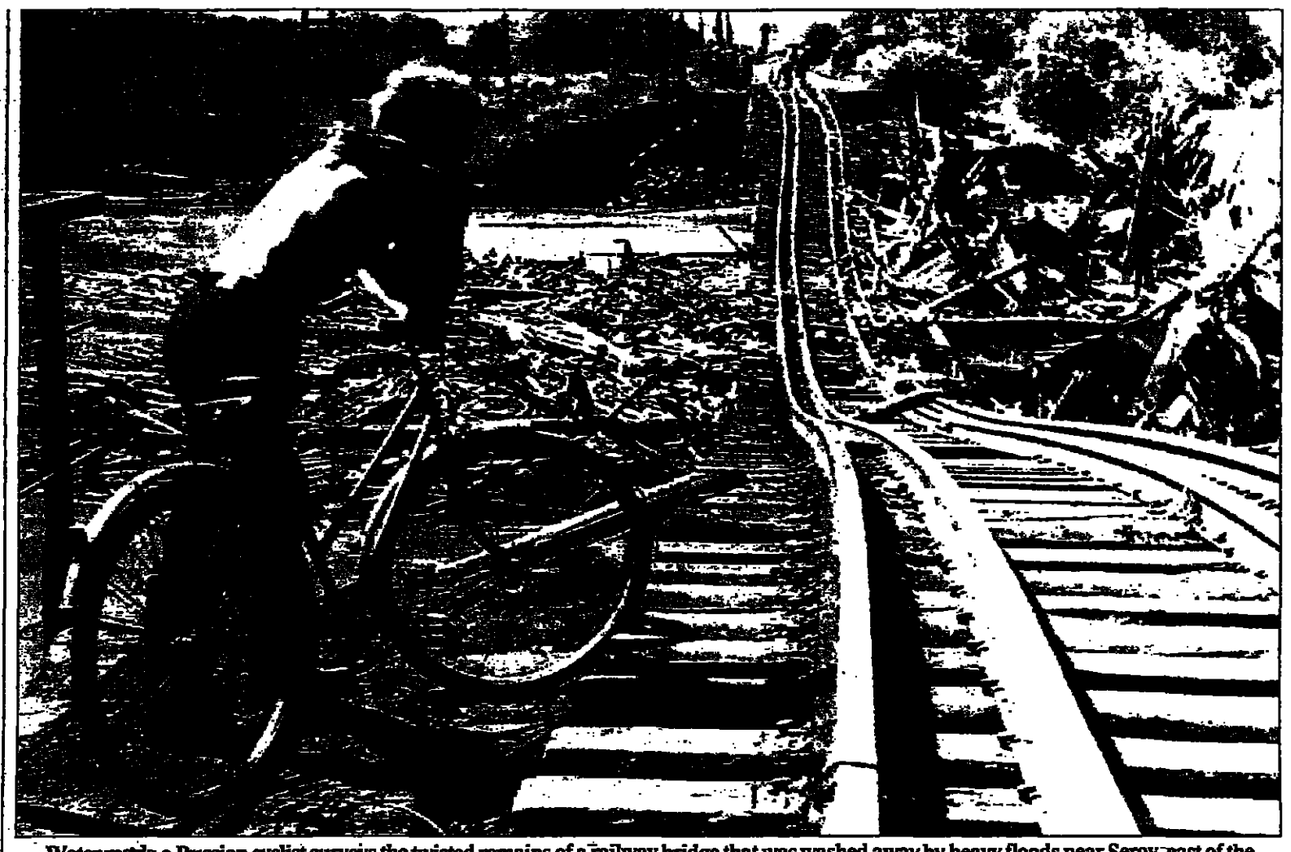
Mr Elchibey apparently reached his decision to leave after being told by army chiefs on Thursday night that they would not defend him against the rebel forces of Colonel Surat Husseinov. The colonel has been demanding the resignation of Mr Elchibey and a trial of the president and other former government officials for ordering the armed attempt to disband the Husseinov forces two weeks ago — the incident which sparked the present rebellion. His forces mutinied on June 4, seizing Gyandzha, Azerbaijan's second city.

The overthrow of the Elchibey government represents a triumph for Russia, which is believed by Western diplomats to have covertly supported Col Husseinov's rebellion. The nationalist Popular Front government was regarded as staunchly anti-Russian. Mr Elchibey's departure appears to open the way for a compromise between the colonel and Mr Aliyev.

The Foreign Office in London announced last night that Britain does not expect the visit of President Elchibey to go ahead on June 30, nor do officials believe it possible at short notice to switch the invitation to Mr Aliyev.

For Britain the turmoil could be worrying if it threatens the huge oil exploration contracts with BP. In the short-term these may be held up; but the expectation in London is that whichever faction survives in Baku, the government will want to press ahead with a contract that will earn vital hard currency.

☐ Ankara: Turkey said that the effective removal of the elected president in Azerbaijan was unacceptable. Erdal Inonu, acting prime minister, urged Azerbaijanis to unite and resolve a "dark and turbulent" situation by legitimate means. *(Reuter)*



Water matrix: a Russian cyclist surveys the twisted remains of a railway bridge that was washed away by heavy floods near Serov, east of the Ural mountains. At least 12 people were killed and more than 100 are missing. Thousands of homes were destroyed

Threat to Lubbers coalition

The Hague: Dutch prime minister Ruud Lubbers' centre-left coalition government was threatened with collapse yesterday after a second junior minister from the Labour party faction quit and transport minister Hanja Maij Weggen facing an uncertain future.

Observers fear that the weakened Labour party will seek to divert attention from its own problems by demanding the resignation of the transport minister, who has been accused of withholding information over the funding of a planned road tunnel near Amsterdam. They give the coalition little chance of surviving until the next general elections in March. *(Reuter)*

TV chief held

Milan: Aldo Brancher, a top executive of Fininvest, Italy's largest private television group, has surrendered on a warrant for his arrest accusing him of giving £130,000 in bribes to Francesco de Lorenzo, a former Italian health minister. *(AP)*

Vandals jailed

Konstanz: A German court here jailed three neo-Nazis for between two and four years for attacking homes of foreigners and vandalising a Jewish cemetery and graves of Nazi death camp victims. An accomplice was fined. *(Reuter)*

Ethnic minders

Amsterdam: The Netherlands has opened an experimental detention centre where both inmates and warders are Moroccans, in an attempt to rehabilitate juvenile offenders. Moroccans are the country's fastest-growing immigrant community. *(AFP)*

Record flight

Paris: An Airbus A-340 set a round-the-world flight record for a non-supersonic passenger jet, landing at the Paris Air Show 48 hours and 23 minutes after it left the French capital. Only Concorde has circled the world faster. *(AP)*

Flemish barrister tried to kill Pope

FROM TOM WALKER IN BRUSSELS

THE Dutch-speaking barristers of Belgium are undergoing some critical self-examination following the revelation that one of their number attempted to assassinate the Pope in 1982.

The next step in the career of Flemish barrister Juan Fernandez Krohn, 43, will be decided by the bar's ruling body later this month. Señor Fernandez Krohn's latest misdemeanours involved a scuffle with the leader of the Flemish barristers' order, after which he was escorted by police from the Palais de Justice in Brussels screaming anti-Semitic comments. Following that incident, Señor Fernandez Krohn has been banned from the courts for three months.

On May 12, 1982, the Madrid-trained lawyer turned reactionary Catholic priest tried to bayonet the Pope on his visit to Fatima, in Portugal, but was restrained and arrested. Señor Fernandez Krohn, who claimed the Pope had been brought to power by communists, was sentenced to seven years in prison. Three years and three months later he was freed.

"To find work again, I must go abroad," he recounted in his memoirs, *God's Fool*. Señor Fernandez Krohn went first to Switzerland, then France, back to Spain, and then headed north in pursuit of a Flemish lover in 1987.

Since then he has lived in Antwerp, Ostend and Brussels, and passed exams to gain entry to the Flemish bar at Gent and Brussels universities.

To become a member of the Dutch-speaking bar, Señor Fernandez Krohn had to sign a document declaring he had no criminal record. "I thought that only meant in Belgium," he later protested.

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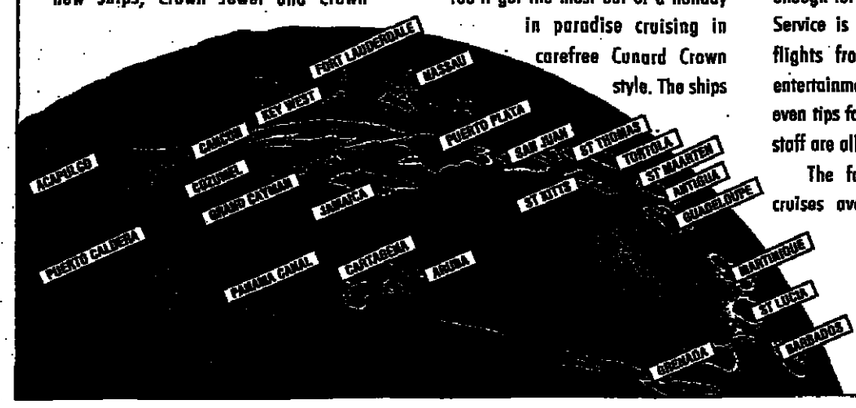
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When the American armed forces found themselves headed by a draft-dodger, sparks were bound to fly

Alexander Chancellor in New York

I have become somewhat obsessed with a photograph of the two-star Air Force General Harold N. Campbell which appeared on Wednesday in *The New York Times*. It shows a man of my age (53), who looks as if he has had a stroke. His mouth slopes sharply downwards to the right, and the whole right side of his face appears to be listing heavily. But although some malfunction of the brain would help to explain the general's recent reckless utterances, there is no evidence that there is anything wrong with his. The puzzling appearance may just as well be explained by many years of macho military posturing and a habit of issuing orders out of the corner of the mouth. This may just be the face of the seasoned American hero.

And General Campell *is* a hero. His chest in the picture is plastered with decorations, some of them earned for valour during two tours of duty as a fighter pilot in the Vietnam war. Until the end of last month, General Campbell was deputy chief of staff for plans and programs at the Air Force Materiel Command headquarters in Dayton, Ohio. He could reasonably have anticipated further promotion; but, following a speech he gave last month at an American military banquet in The Netherlands, he has been both fined and effectively sacked.

Reports of what he said are sketchy, but everyone agrees that he was grossly disparaging about his commander-in-chief, the president. He called Bill Clinton "dope-smoking", "skirt-chasing" and "draft-dodging". According to one report, he also called him "gay-loving". He apparently asked that a camera be turned off before he launched his attack, which is why there is no proper record of it.

Some witnesses thought that General Campbell was only trying to be amusing — "I think it was meant as an ice-breaker," one Pentagon official told *The New York Times* — but there are clear rules about this kind of thing. Under the uniform code of military justice, officers can be court-martialled for being "contemptuous" about the commander-in-chief. And whether he was trying to be funny or not, the general was undoubtedly contemptuous.



The news caused such alarm in Washington that a three-star general was sent to The Netherlands to investigate. Last week he confirmed that the reports were essentially correct, but the White House was so desperate to avoid having his insults discussed publicly in a military courtroom that a non-judicial reprimand was arranged.

President Clinton's comment on the affair was interesting. "For me personally, I didn't care," he said at a press conference on Tuesday. "People say whatever they want to say about me — me, personally. It had no impact on me, and I thought, well, here's a guy who's served his country, you know, and so what if he doesn't like me." On the other hand, continued Mr Clinton, "for a general officer to say that about the commander-in-chief — if that happened — is a very bad thing."

Would it have been all right, then, if General Campbell had prefaced his insults to Mr Clinton the person with remarks praising the valour and probity of Mr Clinton the commander-in-chief? It is as though Mr Clinton would like to be able to compartmentalise his various presidential roles and exist simultaneously as a sentimental old peacenik and as the might commander of the world's most terrifying military machine.

But, of course, he can't do that, as the General Campbell episode has helped to show. Mr Clinton's record as a Vietnam draft-dodger did not, in the end, stop him being elected president — such was the popular desire to see the back of President Bush — but it has returned to plague him ever since. Many people in the military can never forgive him for it, and it has proved a constant liability in his efforts to do such controversial things as cut the defence budget and lift the ban on gays in the armed forces.

He has gone out of his way on several occasions to demonstrate his esteem for the military virtues, and he braved the wrath of Vietnam war veterans last month by becoming the first president to attend a Memorial Day ceremony at the monument to the Vietnam war dead in Washington. On that occasion, he was introduced by General Colin Powell, a decorated Vietnam veteran, who emphasised how appropriate he thought it was that Mr Clinton should be there. Borrowing a phrase from Abraham Lincoln, General Powell declared: "With malice toward none and charity for all, let us bind up the nation's wounds."

But along comes General Campbell, with his sloping face and his rows of medals, and the fragility of President Clinton's truce with the military is brutally exposed. When the general's insubordination was reported in the press, a silent cheer must have gone up thoughout the armed forces of the United States: and, knowing this, their commander-in-chief did not even feel secure enough to face him down in public.

Nicholas Wood profiles Lord McAlpine, the high-living former treasurer of the Conservative party

Old tricks from the new Machiavelli

If Asil Nadir is, as he claims, sitting on a Conservative party scandal of Watergate proportions, there can be little doubt who would be the main witness. Lord McAlpine of West Green, who now divides his time between London and Venice, must be one of the few men alive capable of untangling the web of Tory party funding.

As Tory party treasurer between 1975 and 1990, and one of the chief gatekeepers to Margaret Thatcher's inner circle, he raised more than £100 million for the cause, money that went a long way to ensuring that the 1980s were a decade of one-party rule.

Precisely how he did it remains something of a mystery. But yesterday as the 51-year-old peer — ennobled by Mrs Thatcher in 1984 — admitted to doubts about the way he handled Nadir's £440,000 contribution, some of his former associates were prepared to lift the veil on the shadowy world of political donations.

As any observer of the world's oldest and most successful political party will recognise, around the close-knit centre of power — the cabinet and a few hand-picked advisers and friends — revolves a multitude of would-be insiders. Party worthies can be fobbed off with an indifferent lunch at Westminster and a modest gong for years of drumming up the vote. PR smoothies might be given their few minutes of fame and the chance to impress clients with a chat with a minister. The seriously rich are different. They were McAlpine's prey.

> The seriously rich are different from party worthies. They were his prey

The sting, if that is what it was, would begin with an invitation to a Downing Street reception attended by the prime minister or, if they were worthy of special attention, perhaps a lunch. Alternatively, they might be asked along to one of the treasurer's lobster and champagne late-night suppers at a party conference, where they would mingle with ministers, their friends and a sprinkling of media stars.

"Nothing so crass as a mention of money would come up at this stage," says one observer. "Part of McAlpine's brilliance was to spread his largess around pretty freely. He would ensure that people turned up at the right parties, where they made the right political connections and they were left with a feeling that if they were to contribute, things would happen for them. Of course, it was never said, but the effect was calculated to get people to dig into their pockets."

Only later would McAlpine move in for the kill, often deputing the task to what Central Office called the "military junta", the retired brigadiers and admirals who were the long arms of McAlpine's empire. For many years Major-General Sir Bryan Wyldbore-Smith, operating from a manor house only 200 yards from Margaret Thatcher's Grantham birthplace, was his chief of staff. The junta would follow up the initial contact, gently reinforcing the message that their money could work for them in the world of power and influence. "I suspect it seldom did," says the observer, "but McAlpine was never afraid to spend a penny to raise a pound."

It was into this world that Nadir blundered, presumably thinking that as in his Turkish-Cypriot homeland, there was a direct relation between financial support and social acceptance.

If it all sounds Machiavellian, no one should be surprised. Among the more intriguing testaments to the Thatcher years is McAlpine's book *The Servant*, modelled on *The Prince* and dedicated to "the most magnificent Baroness Thatcher of Kesteven". In it, the high-living former treasurer, who has survived a seven-hour heart bypass operation, expounds his strategy of "controlled confusion" — an apt description of Tory party funding — and explains how one can wrongfoot rivals by befriending them and, if desperate, by promoting them.

Access is the key to political influence, says the book. Former Smith Square staff recall how McAlpine guarded his hotline to Mrs Thatcher and maintained a loyalty to her rather than the party chairmen who came and went at roughly two-yearly intervals.

Some he was glad to see go. He told his friends at the Garrick Club that John Gummer, brought in to clear the air after Cecil Parkinson's fall, was a "mediocre school swot", and he fell out with Norman Tebbit when his star waned at Downing Street. He was in the David Young camp in 1987 when high command was riven by infighting during the election campaign. Many at Central Office had only the haziest idea of where the money was coming from or how much was in the kitty.

In interviews about his book, published a couple of years after his mentor's fall and his resignation as banker-in-chief, McAlpine made little secret of his opinion of John Major or the post-Thatcher state of the party. Politics in the Machiavellian scheme of things required three essential ingredients: the true Prince, the true Servant and the true Idea. Mrs Thatcher was the last true Prince, whereas Major's government was "Wilsonian in style", meaning that it was an administration of convenience, lacking direction, merely "catching every ball and throwing it back". Norman Lamont could not have put it better, but at least McAlpine can claim originality and consistency. On the night of Major's election victory, his guests reputedly cheered when Chris Patten lost his seat in Bath, prompting a rebuke from Baroness Thatcher.

McAlpine, a scion of the family building firm founded by his grandfather, "Concrete Bob", left Stowe School with even fewer O-levels than Major achieved. A jolly, cherubic figure, he earned the soubriquet Roly Poly in his schooldays because of his taste for egg and chips. After his heart operation, he was ordered to walk five miles a day and try baked beans.

His fortune — he is director of his family firm — has been estimated at £20-30 million, but his friends question this, and say his antiques business in London's Cork Street has been hit by the recession.

His illness was not his only brush with death. In 1990, a month after he auctioned off the varied contents of West Green House near Aldershot for £1 million, the IRA decided to demolish a building that he had spent £750,000 restoring and which once housed gatherings of the Thatcher circle. Six years earlier, the Brighton bomb exploded only a couple of hours after one of his soirees in the Grand Hotel.

From his vantage point on the Grand Canal, McAlpine will be watching the signals from Northern Cyprus with interest, although few Tories believe that Nadir could snare more than a couple of minnows. The two men last met in September 1991, when, according to McAlpine, the bankrupt businessman appealed for help and mentioned the money he had given the party. Not for the first time, he was told to see his local MP.

Welcome back the hunter

Income from the ivory trade is the best assurance for the survival of elephants

GRANVILLE DAVIES



Cruel to be kind: fundraising politics recently outlawed traditional culls, so eliminating the African's stake in the animals' welfare

Voltaire famously wrote to *Monsieur l'abbé*: "I detest what you write but would give my life to make it possible for you to write it."

I could never shoot an elephant, or any other animal, but I shall devote a Saturday column to the case for allowing others to do so. After reading Raymond Bonner's book *At the Hand of Man* (Simon & Schuster), I shall go further and say their hunting should be encouraged, as should the selling of ivory.

Ray Bonner and I are elephant enthusiasts. Most years I contrive a journey to some African waterhole. There I watch these majestic beasts act out evolution's first attempt at communal living. I see them wander the bush, "as if", in Karen Blixen's words, "they had an appointment at the end of the world". Africa has nothing to equal it.

Bonner's credentials are more substantial than mine. He has studied both elephants and elephant diplomacy in detail. He has gazed into the cesspit that is the world elephant lobby, and come away spitting with anger at its lies, faction fighting and patronising attitude to Africans. I shall choose my wildlife charities with more care in future.

Three years ago we could not open a newspaper or children's magazine and avoid heart-rending photographs of mutilated elephants, villainous poachers and bloodstained ivory. The pictures were always accompanied by appeals for money, never for an address in Africa. I was puzzled at the time to visit a game reserve and encounter fury at this publicity. Elephants in southern Africa were not dying out, let alone "endangered"; they were increasing. Competition for land and vegetation required their culling and management, paid for (up to a point) by the sale of shooting licences and ivory. Certainly numbers were falling in East Africa, through corruption and political ineptitude. But Botswana alone had twice as many elephants as Kenya, and its herd doubled in the 1980s.

The essence of Bonner's case is that Africans must be able to make money from elephants or they will wipe them out as Europeans once wiped out bears and wolves. Poor people who live among wild animals — rhinos, lions, gorillas — must have a financial interest in their survival. This means exploiting them in the same way that the British farm grouse or stags, not just getting occasional compensation for trampled crops. Nor is mass tourism the answer. As Bonner points out, the 20 Land-Rovers that now encircle every lion pride in Kenya destroy habitat, bring little revenue to local villages and turn the reserves into zoos. If elephants are to survive in anything like a natural state, Africans must want to protect them and the ecological diversity that goes with them.

Until 1988, says Bonner, every leading conservationist backed the "sustainable utilisation" of African wildlife, treating animals as part of the local economy. So did conservation groups such as the WWF and the African Wildlife Foundation.

The AWF, based in America, supported the agonising decision to shoot the last herd of 100 elephants in Rwanda in the late 1970s. The elephants were eating the forest in which Africa's most important colony of gorillas live. It was elephants or gorillas. Gorillas had to win.

In 1989 the tide turned. Elephant conservation across the world was suddenly overwhelmed by militant American "animals rights" groups using emotional publicity, much of it based on the political anarchy in East Africa. Conferences saw white zealots pitted against white zoologists (Africans were seldom involved). At the 1989 Lausanne conference, East Africans were browbeaten by American lobbyists into switching sides. The elephant was ludicrously declared "endangered", and the trade in ivory was banned.

Simon Jenkins

Southern African states bitterly opposed the ban but were forced into line. Zimbabwe was even threatened with the loss of American aid.

The motivation behind the ban was simple. Just as America's Irish policy has little to do with Ireland, so America's elephant policy has little to do with elephants, and everything to do with fundraising. Bonner reports an AWF official in 1988 complaining that consultants were "screaming" for endangered status for the elephant because of its phenomenal publicity value. Mangled tusks and fabricated statistics, cries of holocaust and genocide, threats of extinction in "ten short years" were turned into the most successful fundraising in conservation history. The elephant ousted pandas and whales as king of the "charismatic megaspecies".

International bureaucracies lack the accountability of domestic ones. Both the AWF and the once-moderate WWF were dragged by militants into what was a patently false campaign for an ivory ban. Bonner cites memos in which frantic officials conceded ground to extremists for fear of losing members and funds. Reluctant European affiliates were bludgeoned into following suit. African states and local conservationists fearful for their grants felt it politic to switch too.

The impact of the 1989 ivory ban was swift. The ivory price fell and Africa lost some $50 million in hard currency. It received not a cent in compensation. In Nairobi, Richard Leakey staged an "ivory burn" for President Arap Moi. Three million dollars, badly needed for Kenya's conservation programme, went up in publicity smoke. Here was Africa paying for the conscience of the West with a vengeance. I wonder how Britain would have reacted to a Zimbabwean demand for an ethical ban on all trade in grouse, furs or deerskin?

The power of Bonner's case comes both from his evident love of elephants and from his instances of how good management can stabilise numbers. At Kaokoveld in Namibia and Nyaminyami in Zimbabwe, poachers are literally turned gamekeepers. Africans are guaranteed the revenues from hunting and culling and come to recognise elephants not as enemies but as valuable to their economy. Money comes not from government but from the market, albeit a strictly controlled one.

One licensed hunter is reckoned to equal a hundred ordinary tourists in cash to local villages. The hunter not only pays to cull, he does far less damage to the local ecology and way of life. To ban the hunter and his ivory is to deny the Africans a livelihood that is theirs by right. The ivory ban was imposed on many African states flagrantly against their will and the interest of long-term conservation.

Bonner's book is full of morals. Lobbyists who ignore elementary economics defeat their own ends. Declaring the elephant endangered may yet endanger it. "Good cause" crusades, especially those directed at distant countries, are always vulnerable to perverted motives, and above all to the need for money. Accountable to no government or country, international philanthropists can become accountable only to their own bank balances.

I accept that some people find the killing of any animal for pleasure more than they can stomach, even if they buy the products of such animals. They find the killing of stags and game birds equally cruel. But we do permit animals to be killed for pleasure. To tell Africans, incomparably poorer than we are, that they may not earn money from such killing is insufferable hypocrisy. Elephants may belong to the world, but Africa is their custodian. If Africans choose to save them from extinction by managing their numbers, all strength to them.

Misplaced faces

THE TIMES DIARY

Finding Stella Rimington in the glossy pages of *Hello!* suggested it; then the squaring up of Baroness Thatcher right behind John Major confirmed it. This was a week in which people cropped up in the most unexpected places.

Finding the director-general of the security service in a society magazine would take some beating, though. Gone were the hound's-tooth coat and Sainsbury's shopping-bags. In their place was a sharply focused Mrs Rimington, enjoying a glass of white wine at a drinks party. The Home Office was livid, the magazine triumphant. How long, then, before *Hello!* readers are treated to MI5 "at home" in one of her headquarters.

Gracing the pages of a rather different sort of magazine was the England cricketing all-rounder Chris Lewis. Lewis had forsaken considerably more than a hound's-tooth coat and the odd shopping-bag for his startling appearance in *For Women*. But then by the end of the second day of the Lord's test, Lewis was probably wishing he had forsaken cricket as well. Disgruntled MCC members were of the opinion that he already had.

At Royal Ascot — the traditionally soggy start to Britain's traditionally soggy season — it was more a case of who was missing. The Queen Mother was at Windsor Castle, finally obeying doctor's orders to take things rather easier but, palace officials assured us, glued to the action on television. Absent too were the Prince and Princess of Wales: he with a recurring back injury incurred on the polo field, she to fulfil a wealth of headline-grabbing engagements that threaten to keep Mrs Rimington out of *Hello!* for a month. And very nearly missing too was the Princess Royal, her way into the course barred by the unfortunate steward who couldn't see the princess for the sunglasses.

In the world of politics, Norman Lamont is a man used to finding himself in an awkward spot, but even he must have been surprised to find himself in Notting Hill police station last weekend, having bravely — if gingerly — walked there clutching what he considered a distinctly suspect package. "I think it might be a bomb," he told understandably alarmed local police. Given Lamont's track-record at prediction, it really shouldn't have come as too much of a surprise when his "bomb" turned out to be two CDs (Handel and Vivaldi).

Just three days later, however, a very similar event occurred in the City of London, when the current Chancellor, Kenneth Clarke, picked his way bravely — if gingerly — through the tables at the Guildhall dinner clasping what many thought was a distinctly suspect economics package. "I think it's a recovery," he told his understandably astonished audience. None of the industrialists and financiers attending the dinner will be the slightest bit surprised if, after being stripped of its wrappings, Clarke's "recovery" also turns out to be two CDs (Handel and Vivaldi).

In Downing Street, at a reception for Commons researchers and secretaries, there was another surprise appearance — the prime minister's long lost soap-box, the only real star of the last election campaign. As the Diary suggested, after so powerful a signal of renewed vigour, all that was needed was for John Smith to present another shadow budget and the prime minister's problems would be over. The Labour leader's Byzantine question on National Insurance increases may not quite have been a shadow budget, but it was just as effective an own goal. The prime minister scented blood, and slightly to everyone's surprise, tasted it. "We must must all get behind John," Lady Thatcher had said to widespread surprise on Monday. By Thursday — to even widerspread surprise — we all had.

But while the prime minister's star was clearly in the ascendant, Sir Norman Fowler could take comfort from the knowledge that his was not alone in nearing its nadir. British sport hung its head, in shame and sorrow as sportsmen, famous and unknown alike, failed to take the field: shamed at the absence of the one-legged Cornish cricketer banned from using a runner (until the MCC finally saw sense); shamed at the British Lion prevented from returning to the New Zealand tour after his father's funeral by the rugby authorities (who never did).

Heads bowed too in sorrow at James Hunt's appearance in the obituaries columns at the age of 45. Motor racing mourned the loss of Hunt, world champion in 1976 and undisputed master of the "Actually, Murray, I think you'll find . . ."

Murray Walker: "There, in front of our very eyes, what every Brit wanted to see. John Major, in the new Thatcher-charged, Clarke-engined car storming through the field to take the lead . . . He looks to have the race sewn up."

James Hunt: "Actually, Murray, I think you'll find that faint puff of smoke from Major's car may be the first sign of a blown engine. This race is long way from over."

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THE OXYGEN OF DISARRAY

The Irish president should not have met Sinn Fein

Mary Robinson's meeting with the Sinn Fein leader Gerry Adams yesterday has all but shattered her claim to be a force for understanding in Anglo-Irish relations. It is a profound disappointment to those on both sides of the Irish sea who expected much from her. Her willingness to exchange pleasantries with a man who epitomises the hateful hypocrisy of the "ballot and bullet" illustrates the gulf which still separates the British people from the government of southern Ireland on the future of the North.

As the extent of outrage at the meeting became clear last night, Labour's spokesman on Northern Ireland, Kevin McNamara, claimed that Mrs Robinson was merely "on a private visit to west Belfast where she met a resident of west Belfast". Such pitifully disingenuous remarks should not fool anyone or excuse the Irish president.

The significance of this sort of encounter in Anglo-Irish relations cannot possibly be lost on a politician of Mrs Robinson's experience and pedigree. In its own way, her brief meeting with Mr Adams was as freighted with significance as were the ground-breaking talks held in 1965 between Sean Lemass, the Fianna Fáil taoiseach, and Captain Terence O'Neill, the prime minister of Northern Ireland. It also casts an unhappy shadow over her meeting with Queen last month.

If Mrs Robinson believed that greeting Mr Adams was in some sense a necessary counterbalance to her reception at Buckingham Palace, she was sorely mistaken. Until yesterday, her political judgment and instinctive sense of statesmanship were renowned throughout Europe. Her trips to Somalia and attendance at the funeral of the Warrington bomb victims suggested a true sensitivity and understanding of the symbolic role which a head of state could play. Yet by greeting Mr Adams, less than 24 hours after a former policeman was gunned down in the centre of Belfast, she has betrayed an unsuspected lack of discrimination which tarnishes all she has done to enrich Anglo-Irish understanding.

Mrs Robinson not only ignored the advice of many colleagues in the Irish government and the private signals sent from Number Ten that her visit to the North was full of pitfalls. In the name of spurious even-handedness, she has also jeopardised her own party's efforts to transform Anglo-Irish diplomacy. Following Sinn Fein's poorest electoral performance in the south for decades, Dick Spring, the Labour deputy prime minister, has led efforts to drop the Republic's constitutional claim to the North, though well aware of the rifts that such a project may open up in the nervous coalition between Labour and Fianna Fáil. In March, Mr Spring declared that Articles 2 and 3 of the constitution, which assert the historic claim, were not "cast in bronze" and predicted that "our people will readily be persuaded to endorse change".

Persuaded they may be, in time and with a great deal of luck: but they will hardly be encouraged to acknowledge the need for change if their beloved president is seen to consort with the apologists for the men of violence. On this side of the sea, the British public will be inflamed by the sight of a supposedly moderate Irish head of state stooping to curry favour with Mr Adams and may wonder what possible value the Anglo-Irish Agreement now has. And, once again, the terrorists will lick their lips at the disarray which is their true oxygen.

MARCH AGAINST MURDER

Sexual stereotyping and generalisation are threats too

Today a Gay and Lesbian Pride Day march takes place in London. The marchers will walk in the shadow of five brutal murders of homosexual men in the past three months. Regrettably, the march, like the killings, will probably reinforce more stereotypes and misassumptions than it corrects.

It will be said by some that the "gay community" has displayed its solidarity in the streets, and by the less tolerant that the same "community" has flaunted itself provocatively when it should be keeping a low profile. It will be less likely said that the very notion of a homogeneous "gay community" is misleading and that most homosexuals regard their sexual preference as merely an aspect of life rather than its defining feature. Many homosexuals would no more spend all their time with other homosexuals than they would with people who shared their profession or place of birth. Many too never feel sufficiently confident in their sexuality to advertise it, even to other gay men.

Such tragedies reveal the poverty of the language which we invoke to deal with human trauma. The police have been criticised for their delay in launching a public hunt for the "serial killer". Yet the hysteria whipped up in the last few days has vindicated their reticence. The very term "serial killer" is an unhelpful stereotype which implies that all such murderers follow a predetermined path. There has been tasteless speculation, for example, that the murderer is exacting vengeance for the spread of the HIV virus: a conjecture, based on no known evidence.

Equally, some gay campaign groups have argued that the killings are in the same category of crime as the arbitrary attacks on homosexuals — so-called "gay-bashing" — which appear to have become more frequent and more ferocious in recent years and have already prompted the Metropolitan police to launch a pilot monitoring scheme. In fact, these murders resemble the fourteen-year-old case of the Yorkshire Ripper far more than street attacks on gay men by thugs.

The killer — if indeed there is only one killer — appears to be targetting the minority of homosexuals who have a taste for promiscuous, anonymous sex just as Peter Sutcliffe preyed on prostitutes. Like Sutcliffe, he also seems to enjoy playing a depraved cat-and-mouse game with detectives. His motives are a mystery. Unpredictable pathology certainly cuts across the boundaries of sexual preference.

If such a tragedy can have a positive aspect, it may be the cooperation between police and the various groups of gay men who will be marching today. In the wake of a dishonourable tradition of police entrapment and harassment, British homosexuals have long been convinced that the police are hostile, prejudiced and unlikely to afford them much protection from violence and blackmail. Much of the anger that has fuelled past gay pride marches has been fanned by such convictions.

Attitudes are now changing, helped in part by the prime minister's gesture in receiving Sir Ian McKellen. The Metropolitan police — though perhaps not other forces — have learned much from the example of the United States, where police in the big cities have fostered good relations with gay groups in an effort to overcome mutual antagonism. Today's marchers still have other highly controversial demands — including a change in the law on the age of consent — but the demand for equal protection by the police from harassment, violence and murder should have less force nowadays.

There is a still a danger that these latest killings will fan the flames of prejudice. It is true that some gay men seek out a kind of sexual experience in which risk, anonymity and pain all have a part to play. This may be mystifying and even repellent to those who do not share their inclinations. But the sheer otherness of this demi-monde to the majority of heterosexuals (and homosexuals too) cannot excuse generalisation, sensationalism and the trotting out of stereotypes. Vicious murder is an affront to society as a whole rather than one fragmented minority within it.

THE TRIALS OF P.

The known and the unknown, the Reithian and the Pinteresque

Someone must have been spreading black propaganda about Harold P., for without having published anything much for ages, his latest piece of writing was damaged one morning by a dead man and a bureaucratic bungle. It was a classic nightmare.

On the previous evening P. had been to the cinema with his land-lady for the première of his film adaptation of Franz Kafka's *The Trial*, starring Sir Anthony Hopkins, Juliet Stevenson and Kyle MacLachlan. This morning he read in his newspaper that the BBC was screening the 1962 Orson Welles version of the same enigmatic novel tonight, so stealing his long anticipated glory.

Would viewers who had watched the 1962 Welles version at home not shrink from paying for another two hours of cryptic Kafka, sticky with sinister pauses and magnified domestic noises, the clocks ticking, the susurrations of pantyhose? The puzzle was that the BBC, which was running this classic "spoiler", had also contributed about £1m to P.'s adaptation. It was spoiling its own production.

Inside the BBC the left programme co-ordinator did not know what the right programme planner was doing. Men in grey suits silently smothered programme-makers with pointless forms to fill in and frequent planning meetings.

The buildings at White City and Portland Place were almost exceptionally large, and the entrance hall in particular was high and wide, with a Reithian inscription of obsolete high-mindedness in a dead language around the dome. Where a few years ago the great halls had been crowded with production assistants and sound technicians with bored expressions, now the rooms were empty, do-it-yourself studios to confuse and dismay unmechanical strangers.

A faceless head of drama obfuscations at the BBC called the incident of one trial spoiling its other trial an improbable and unwelcome coincidence. Here surely was a classic case of a man desiring to avoid power by transforming himself into something small or, perhaps, disappearing altogether. Or was that the plot of another work by the great man of Prague?

After a pause pregnant with Expressionist menace, broken only by the rustle of impenetrable minutes being distributed, another indistinguishable official said: "You may object that Welles's universal parable is not really *The Trial*; you are quite right, for it is only *The Trial* if I schedule it as such." "But I am not angry," said P.; "It's a misunderstanding".

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Newly heard melodies piped to oarsmen on board the Greek trireme

From Professor Roy Collins, Professor Douglas Pattison and Mr Stelios Psaroudakes

Sir, Modern pulling masters of the trireme *Olympias* may need electronic amplifiers and penny-whistles to keep their crews in time with the deliberate stroke, as your third leader on June 16 reports, but the Greeks of course did it differently. Your report (June 17) of the crew humming to keep in time seems more apt, as it is likely that the original oarsmen would cry rhythmically in time with the aulete (musician) who accompanied them.

Prompted by the visit of *Olympias*, and stemming from a casual conversation with its designer, Dr John Coates, we have been attempting to reconstruct the wind instrument actually used by the Greeks for this purpose.

The ancient Greek *aulos* is essentially a cylindrically-bored pipe equipped with finger holes, but is very different from the flageolet. The aulete plays two *auloi* simultaneously and, in contrast with the flageolet and recorder, which are excited by the generation of edge tones, each pipe of the *aulos* is driven by a double reed.

We decided to reconstruct the early classical type of instrument, such as might have been played in the battle of Salamis. The main bodies of the pipes were based on the dimensions and proportions of the bone *aulos* found in the sanctuary of Artemis at Brauron on the east coast of Attica, published by J. G. Landels in 1963. Information for the mouthpiece sections of the *auloi* was derived from the wooden Elgin pair in the British Museum and from similar bone specimens in the National Archaeological Museum, Athens.

The UCL *auloi* have been turned in sections of white nylon rod, subsequently dyed a pale grey-green, and are about 12½ inches long. They have a cylindrical bore 9.5 mm in diameter and each has six holes 8 mm in diameter which are not equally spaced. The thumb holes on the lower surfaces are between the first and the third holes on the upper surfaces.

The problem of elucidating the exact nature of the original reed still exists. The most successful of the various reeds that we have tried, which we think are closest to those described and depicted by the ancients, are those made for a 16th-century sordune.

The embouchure required when employing two of these reeds is not the problem we at first envisaged: a light lip pressure well away from the tip is sufficient. The major difficulty in playing a pair is that of supporting the pipes when the thumb holes are uncovered.

Perhaps more expert musicians would develop a rocking movement of the thumb, but the subterfuge we have employed is to suspend the pipes from the second finger with a small elastic band. A light leather loop would also serve, but there is no evidence whatsoever that such a device was employed by the ancient Greeks.

The upper holes are covered by the central pads of the first and third fingers and by the tip of the fourth, and the stretch is such that it is not possible to cover more than four holes on each pipe so that the remaining holes serve as vents. Since it is not possible to overblow with these reeds, the scale is pentatonic, spanning a seventh: approximate intervals in ascending order are three tones and a minor third.

We were kindly allowed to run a short test on *Olympias* during its first outing from Putney in torrential rain on June 14. A short melody was composed for the occasion but the pulling master rightly felt that a new crew who had not rowed together before should not be distracted with melody at this stage.

In the test, therefore, the second writer, acting as the aulete, stood near the mainmast step facing aft and played a single note in rhythm with the crew while being conducted by the pulling master. The melody was used, however, for warming up when standing in the bow and it was promptly picked up and whistled by some of the crew.

Although we were ourselves able to hear the instrument, at both extremes of the crew (this was confirmed by a TV cameraman) there was some doubt amongst the crew's directors that rowers at the extremes were able to hear with sufficient clarity. We are not discouraged because we feel that if it were possible for the aulete to move at will along the central gangway, and if he were playing to a crew which acknowledged that he was an integral part of their activity, then it seems possible that the information imparted by the *aulos* would be sufficient to keep them in time.

According to Sextus Empeirikos, the 2nd-century AD doctor and sceptic philosopher, rowing was labour and there was a need for someone to make rhythmical calls in order to divert the mind from the distress caused by the work. A proper test should perhaps involve a longer period of familiarisation for both aulete and crew.

We hope to be able to give short demonstrations of the reconstructed instrument during the Athenian Agora festival on Sunday afternoon at the South Bank.

Yours faithfully,
R. COLLINS,
D. R. PATTISON,
S. PSAROUDAKES,
University College London,
Department of Mechanical Engineering,
Torrington Place, WC1.
June 17.

Spending on space

From Mr Jack Leeming

Sir, I was saddened to see the sweeping condemnation of UK space expenditure in Mr Frank Miles's letter (May 26). His criticism was directed at the £160 million space expenditure by the UK, coordinated by the British National Space Centre, the bulk of which is directed to earth observation, including meteorology; defence communications; and space science, mainly astronomy and studies of the solar system.

The recent government white paper on science and technology lists earth observation as one of the scientific tools for "addressing new global challenges such as those facing the environment".

It also helps the European Commission to monitor and detect agricultural fraud in the common agricultural policy. We might even save our £160 million from our contribution to the CAP support system.

Industrially, earth observation expenditure is of great benefit to UK space companies. BAe Space Systems, whose demise Mr Miles prematurely announces, is to be the prime contractor for the next generation of environmental and meteorological satellites.

From its Portsmouth base, Matra Marconi has been the prime contractor for the new radar instrument which allows observation of the earth at night and regardless of cloud cover.

In addition, the UK has a strong lead position in the use of earth observation data for value-added services such as mineral or oil prospecting, mapping in difficult terrain, etc. On defence, our military communications system, based on Skynet satellites, proved of great significance during the Gulf War.

Finally, I was sorry at the implied condemnation of the work of our space scientists. From the beginning of space activities, the UK scientific community has been amongst the leaders in the use of satellites to combine our knowledge of the universe, revolutionised by the addition of space satellites, with our terrestrial sources of knowledge.

Yours faithfully,
JACK LEEMING
(Director General, British National Space Centre, 1987-8),
9 Walnut Close,
Epsom, Surrey.
June 16.

Leading languages

From Mr P. J. Woodman

Sir, Addressing the Russian constitutional conference on June 5, President Yeltsin said that "a new republic is now being born . . . the future is in our hands". A few days later and a thousand miles to the south, a new prime minister was appointed in Turkey, with the expectation in some quarters that she would bring a "wind of change" to that country's establishment (report, June 15). This may therefore be a timely juncture at which to consider the importance of both Russian and Turkish as languages in today's world.

The demise of the Soviet Union has reduced by half the geographical area for which Russian is the language of administration, but this reduction has created a new opportunity for the native languages of the former Soviet republics to assert themselves.

It has always been the case that a basic knowledge of Turkish would carry you most of the 3,000 miles from Istanbul in Turkey to Urümqi in China, but the opportunities to put this to the test have for long been severely limited by the constraints imposed by communist rule.

Now, however, five former Soviet republics have emerged with Turkic languages as their sovereign tongues. One of these, Azerbaijan, has already thrown off the cyrillic script imposed by Moscow and moved to roman script: the other four (Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan) have agreed to do likewise as soon as possible.

Russian and the Turkic languages do not share any linguistic connections, but they do find themselves sharing a combined area of nine million square miles and a combined population of some 270 million speakers.

Given the changes in that part of the world since 1991, there can never have been a more exciting or profitable moment to study these languages. I would hope that academic institutions in the UK have identified this massive potential, and have the resources to gear their language training opportunities accordingly.

Yours faithfully,
P. J. WOODMAN
(Secretary, Permanent Committee on Geographical Names for British Official Use),
c/o The Royal Geographical Society,
1 Kensington Gore, SW7.
June 16.

The press and Nadir

From the Deputy Editor of the Financial Times

Sir, You report (June 18) that "the *Financial Times* is one paper bidding to publish the details" of the evidence Mr Asil Nadir claims to possess that government ministers have behaved improperly towards him. This is misleading, since we are merely, like *The Times*, pursuing the story.

Should anyone conclude that this means the *FT* has offered money or any kind of incentive to Mr Nadir, I wish to make it clear that we have never, in this or any other case, paid for information or for interviews.

Yours faithfully,
IAN HARGREAVES,
Deputy Editor,
Financial Times,
1 Southwark Bridge, SE1.

Sporting chance

From Mr Robert Craig

Sir, When we are trying to make it possible for disabled people to take part in sport, it is retrograde for Cornish umpires to ban a one-legged batsman from having a runner (report, June 16). Law 2.5 does indeed say this is allowed only when the batsman is incapacitated by illness or injury *during* the match, but we have moved backwards since 1805. Lord Byron, who had a club foot, was allowed a runner when he batted for Harrow against Eton at Lord's, scoring 11 and 7. We could do worse than changing this law and recalling Lord Byron.

Yours faithfully,
ROBERT CRAIG,
55 Woodside Park Road, N12.

From Professor Norman Hammond

Sir, I had a schoolmaster with an artificial leg — he had been run over by a tank during the war — who played cricket for the masters vs the school every summer. He removed his metal leg and foot and strapped on a wooden peg-leg, worn with shorts and a knee-length sock on the good leg. He had a runner, and we would all have thought it most unsporting had he been prevented from playing.

The laws of cricket should be changed to allow a runner for any batsman unable to run himself. To avoid the employment of a specialist sprinter, or an over-fresh man, the runner should be the previous or penultimate man out (unless the legless one opens the innings, in which case some other equitable solution would be agreed).

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
NORMAN HAMMOND
Wholeway, Harlton, Cambridge.

Employers and Europe

From the Director-General of the Confederation of British Industry

Sir, In "At the unhealthy heart of Europe" (June 14) Lord Rees-Mogg referred to talks between Chancellor Kohl and the Confederation of European Employers and Industrial Organisations. He prayed the arguments used by employers at that meeting in aid of his opposition to the Maastricht treaty which, he asserts, "will tend to make Europe less competitive".

At that meeting, which I attended, the employers certainly did tell Chancellor Kohl that Europe faces a crisis over competitiveness in world markets. We called for reductions in public sector deficits, and interest rates, across the Community. And we pressed for a halt to new legislative proposals, such as the European Works Council Directive, which could hurt European companies' ability to compete in world markets. But we did so, as Lord Rees-Mogg omitted to point out, while supporting the Maastricht treaty as a basis for the Community's future development.

European employers are now speaking up clearly against the damaging aspect of some European regulation, and have forced competitiveness to the top of the political agenda in Brussels.

Their — our — recommendations to correct the problem are straightforward: public spending cuts, deregulation, completion of the single market, free trade and community enlargement. All of this can be achieved within the Maastricht framework, if member state governments have the requisite political will.

Yours faithfully,
HOWARD DAVIES,
Director-General,
Confederation of British Industry,
Centre Point,
103 New Oxford Street, WC1.

Heating tax

From Mrs Barbara Hargreaves

Sir, Although the subject of VAT on electricity bills is no longer in the limelight, whilst the south has been enjoying a heatwave Sutherlanders are still burning fires night and day, and we have scarcely seen the sun since last year. Would this fact warm some cold heart in those in a position to change this unfair tax?

Yours faithfully,
BARBARA HARGREAVES,
Strathen, Skerray, Sutherland.
June 17.

James Hunt memories

From Mrs Judy Shearer

Sir, I knew James Hunt (report and obituary, June 16) as the nicest, kindest, most helpful next-door neighbour anyone could have, who treated me as a friend, even though I am more than old enough to be his mother.

I shall miss him sadly and his two delightful sons, who look so like him and whom he loved so dearly, while they adored such a caring father.

Yours truly,
JUDY SHEARER,
Wimbledon, SW19.

Bureaucrats alfresco

From Mr Charles Bazlinton

Sir, Peter Millar's sighs for a café society ("Oh, for a place in the sun", June 9) strike a chord because of my attempts to persuade local town planners of the merits of public eating/drinking spaces.

Here, in Alresford, the "tyrannical bureaucrats" to whom he refers are traffic engineers who have insisted on a slip road across a potential "mini town square".

Perhaps we should encourage the café proprietors and publicans. In Italy, drinks are frequently charged at double the price when taken at a table (often outside) rather than at the bar. Maybe lobbying driven by profit motivation would loosen the bureaucratic grip.

Yours faithfully,
CHARLES BAZLINTON,
Trees, The Avenue,
Alresford, Hampshire.

From Mr Richard Harden and Mr Peter Harden

Sir, Peter Millar notes that the "iniquities of 11pm [pub] closing . . . need no elaboration". The fact remains that these iniquities are astonishingly infrequently commented on.

The success of afternoon opening here, and almost all foreign experience, suggest there is no reason to believe that properly regulated late-night drinking would mean the end of civilisation as we know it. Yet the government allows this antiquated restriction to persist, inhibiting employment growth in the leisure sector and absurdly reducing London's attractiveness to free-spending foreign visitors.

Yours faithfully,
RICHARD HARDEN,
PETER HARDEN (Editors,
Harden's London Restaurants),
PO Box 1500,
224 Old Brompton Road, SW5.
June 9.

Jewish anxieties

From the Chief Executive of the Board of Deputies of British Jews

Sir, Lord Selborne (letter, June 15) seems to overlook the fact that Israel is a democratic society with its own electorate. That electorate, after a strenuous election campaign last year, put out of office the then government.

The Jews of Britain neither have nor seek any role in the electoral conflicts or parliamentary configurations in Israel, nor have they any *locus* to intervene in individual cases. The independence and quality of Israel's judiciary are well known.

The personal opinions of Jewish people in Britain about Israel's performance or the actions of successive governments of that country are very varied indeed, as one might expect.

The reference to the Jews in Britain as "an anxious community" is taken from Lord Rees-Mogg's impressive article, "One family of God" (June 3), which dealt, *inter alia*, with anxieties arising from the actions of the neo-nazis in Europe. Those anxieties are by no means confined to Jewish people.

Yours faithfully,
NEVILLE NAGLER,
Chief Executive,
The Board of Deputies of British Jews,
Woburn House,
Tavistock Square, WC1.
June 17.

Beyond credit

From Mr Brian Waltham

Sir, This morning Barclaycard has sent me:

1. A statement saying that I owe them "the sum of nil".
2. An envelope in which to enclose my cheque.
3. An offer of a free travel bag if I introduce another member.
4. A warning about losing the card.
5. An opportunity to purchase a pocket calculator.
6. A "magazine" which proves to be a brochure of things I don't want to buy.

How can I stop my bank cutting down more trees to produce junk mail like this?

Yours faithfully,
BRIAN WALTHAM,
68 Regent's Park Road,
Primrose Hill, NW1.
June 14.

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COURT CIRCULAR

WINDSOR CASTLE:
June 18: The Queen, with The Duke of Edinburgh, honoured Ascot Races with her presence today.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
June 18: The Duke of York, Colonel-in-Chief, The Royal Irish Regiment, this morning departed from Heathrow Airport, London, for Cyprus.

Captain Neil Blair RN, Captain Rupert Maitland-Titterton and Major Joyce Gillison were in attendance.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
June 18: The Prince Edward, Chairman, The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Special Projects Group, this afternoon attended a luncheon at the De Vere Hotel and afterwards visited participants of the award at the Superbowl, Shaw Ridge Leisure Park, Swindon, and was received by Major General John Brockbank (Vice Lord Lieutenant of Wiltshire).

His Royal Highness, Chairman, The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Special Projects Group, later attended a reception at Harveys Wine Museum, 12 Denmark Street, Bristol, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Avon (Sir John Wills, Bt).

The Prince Edward this evening attended the "Challenge at Work" reception to celebrate the twenty first anniversary of the Avon Industrial Project at Leigh Court, Abbotsleigh, Bristol, and was received by Colonel John Bryant (Vice Lord Lieutenant of Avon).

Lieutenant Colonel Sean O'Dwyer was in attendance.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
June 18: The Princess Royal, Patron, SENSE, the National Deaf-Blind and Rubella Association, this morning attended the Wales Conference on Deaf-Blindness, Mid-Glamorgan County Hall, Cardiff, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Mid-Glamorgan (Mr Murray McLaggan).

Her Royal Highness, President, the Missions to Seamen, this afternoon opened the Flying Angel Centre, Cargo Road, Cardiff Docks, Cardiff, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for South Glamorgan (Captain Norman Lloyd-Edwards, RNR).

The Hon Mrs Legge-Bourke was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
June 18: The Princess of Wales this morning visited the Refuge, Chiswick, London W4.

KENSINGTON PALACE
June 18: The Duchess of Gloucester this morning visited the Junior School of the Study Preparatory School to mark the school's centenary, Wilberforce House, Camp Road, Wimbledon Common, London SW19.

In the evening Her Royal Highness attended a concert in aid of Marie Curie Cancer Care at Hampton Court Palace, East Molesey, Surrey.

Mrs Euan McCorquodale was in attendance.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE
RICHMOND PARK
June 18: Princess Alexandra was represented by the Hon Sir Angus Ogilvy at the Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Lady Grierson which was held at the Grosvenor Chapel, South Audley Street, London W1 this morning.

Memorial service

Lady Grierson

Princess Alexandra was represented by the Hon Sir Angus Ogilvy at a service of thanksgiving for the life of Lady Grierson held yesterday in the Grosvenor Chapel, South Audley Street. The Rev William Atkins officiated. Mr Jacob Grierson, son, read the lesson and Sir Thomas Macpherson gave an address. Miss Jessye Norman, soprano, sang *Steal Away*.

The Brazilian Ambassador, the Italian Ambassador and the Leader of Westminster City Council attended. Among those present were:

Sir Ronald Grierson (husband), Mr and the Hon Mrs Robert Waley-Cohen (son-in-law and daughter), Marcus, Jessica, Sam and Thomas Waley-Cohen (grandchildren), Mr and Mrs Peter Firmston-Williams and Mr and Mrs Noel Firmston-Williams (brothers and sisters-in-law), Mr and Mrs Michael Austin-Smith (brother-in-law and sister-in-law).

The Duchess of Portland, the Countess of Gowrie, the Dowager Countess of Cromer, Earl and Countess Jellicoe, Countess Fortescue, the Countess of Avon, Raine Countess Spencer, Lady Nicholas Gordon-Lennox, Viscount and Viscountess Norwich, Viscountess Bearsted, Lady Rupert Nevill, Lord and Lady Gibson, Lord and Lady Hunt of Tanworth, Lord and Lady Northbourne, Lady Lever of Manchester, Lord and Lady Weinstock, Lord and Lady Rayne, Lady Caccia, Lord and Lady Rees-Mogg, Baroness Dunn, Lord Lawson of Blaby.

Lord Glenarthur (also representing the chairman, Hanson), Lord Armstrong of Ilminster, Lord and Lady Swaythling, Lord and Lady Fanshawe of Richmond, Lord Greenhill of Harrow, Lady Thorneycroft, Lord and Lady Chalfont, Lady Strathcarron, Lord Carrington, KG, CH, and Lady Carrington, Lady Soames, Lord King of Wartnaby, Lady Poole, Lord Birkett, Lord Palumbo, Lord Gilmour of Craigmillar, Lord Shackleton, KG, Lady Sieff of Brimpton.

Sir Michael Palliser, Mr Michael Heseltine, MP, and Mrs Heseltine, Mr David Howell, MP, and Mrs Howell, the Hon Lady de Zulueta, the Hon Anthony and Mrs Samuel, the Hon Lady Waley-Cohen, the Hon Raymond and Mrs Bonham Carter, the Hon Richard and Mrs Stanley, the Hon Jacob Rees-Mogg, the Hon Simon and Mrs Weinstock, the Hon Henry and Mrs Digby, the Hon Mrs Nicholas Wallop, the Hon Clive and Mrs Gibson, the Hon Rupert and Mrs Soames, the Hon Rocco and Mrs Forte, the Hon Sara Morrison.

Sir Stephen and Lady Waley-Cohen, Sir William Dugdale, Lady Harvie-Watt, Lady Beresford-Peirse, Sir John Ure, Sir Sydney and Lady Lipworth, Sir John Tooley, Sir Henry Marking, Sir Ewen Fergusson (Coutts and Company), Sir Peter and Lady Levene, Sir Derek Boorman, Lady Macpherson, Lady Gillmore, Sir Victor and Lady Garland, Sir Michael Jenkins, Lady Tooley, Sir John Whitehead, Sir David Frost, Sir William and Lady Harding, Lady (John) Russell, Sir Claus and Lady Moser, Mr Ellis and Baroness Birk, Mr Frank and Lady Frances Berendt.

Señor and Señora José Puig de la Bellacasa, Baron Vaes, Mr and Mrs Edward Streator, Mr and Mrs Vane Ivanovic, Baron and Baroness Robert Rothschild, Mr Algy Cluff, Mr Andrew Knight, Mr James Sherwood, Mr Leopold de Rothschild, Mr Nicholas Berry, Mr Adrian Hull, Mrs Andrew Stewart, Mr and Mrs Nicholas Chater, Major Angus Macpherson, Mr and Mrs Rupert Hambro, Miss Belinda Harley, Mr and Mrs David Smith, Mr Kenneth Rose, Mrs J Steinberg, Mrs Henry Mortimer.

Mr David Lewis, Miss Victoria Legge-Bourke, Mr Nicholas Haslam, Mrs John Ritblat, Mr Roger Lewis, Mr Frank Giles, Mr Alexander Russell, Mrs John Barry Ryan, Ms Joanna Waley-Cohen, Mrs Ian Henderson, Mr and Mrs Nicholas Snowman, Mrs R Thomson, Mr and Mrs Geoffrey Seligman, Mr Peter Gummer, Mr Mark Littman, QC, and Mrs Littman, Mrs Nicholas Payne, Mr and Mrs Christopher Arnander, Mr and Mrs Andrew Sinclair, Mr and Mrs Gianlucca Salina, Mrs Denise Fiennes, Le Compte Jean-Francois de Chambrun, Mr and Mrs David Metcalfe, Mrs Gerald Ronson.

Dr H M Drucker (Campaign for Oxford also representing the vice-chancellor, Oxford University), Mr I D Gainsford (King's College School of Medicine and Dentistry), Mr John R Sclater (Hill Samuel), Mr Georg Mallinckrodt (Schroders) and Mrs Mallinckrodt and Miss *Sue Morris (Travel Company)*.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr M.B. Adams and Miss A.L. Young

The engagement is announced between Marcus, youngest son of Mr and Mrs D. Adams, of Burghill, Herefordshire, and Alison, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs T. Young, of Vowchurch, Herefordshire.

Dr M. Bunn and Miss S. Goss

Professor Michael Goss, of Guelph, Ontario, and Mrs Philippa Goss, of Welwyn, Hertfordshire, have pleasure in announcing the marriage of their daughter Sarah, to Matthew, son of Dr and Mrs Derek Bunn, of London, NW2, on Saturday, June 26, at St John-at-Hampstead, at noon.

Mr D. Garrard and Miss C.M. Manley

The engagement is announced between David, son of Mr and Mrs S.N.J. Garrard, of Canterbury, and Catherine, daughter of Canon G.R.D. and Mrs Manley, of Faversham, Kent.

Mr G.T.J. Hine and Miss S.L. Barker

The engagement is announced between Giles, only son of Mr and Mrs Denis Hine, of Corse Lawn House Hotel, Corse Lawn, Gloucestershire, and Suzanne, only daughter of Mr David Barker, of Auckland, New Zealand, and Mrs Glenda Porter, of Auckland, New Zealand.

Mr J.T.C. Inman and Miss R.E. Gudgeon

The engagement is announced between James, son of Mr David Inman and the late Mrs Sally Inman, of Dunsfold, Surrey, and Rebecca, daughter of Mr and Mrs David Gudgeon, of Whetstone, London.

Mr S.M.T. Jackson and Dr J.E. Ford

The engagement is announced between Thomas, younger son of Mr and Mrs M. Jackson, of Bisley, Gloucestershire, and Jennifer, only daughter of the Rev D. and Mrs Ford, of Brixham, Devon.

Mr D.R. Jagger and Miss J.B. Dobson

The engagement is announced between David, elder son of the late Roland Jagger and of Mrs Rose Jagger, of Kingston upon Hull, Yorkshire, and Jane, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs T.W. Dobson, of Ermington, South Devon.

Mr B.M.O'N. Leach and Miss E.A. Fowell

The engagement is announced between Benjamin, son of the late Peter Leach and of Mrs Rosamund Chute, of The White House, Slindon, West Sussex, and Elizabeth, daughter of Mr and Mrs Henry Fowell, of Beecroft, Sydney, Australia.

Mr J. Markson and Miss S.D.J. Hobson

The engagement is announced between Jonathan, younger son of the late Dr Jack Markson and of Mrs Irene Markson, and Sarah, younger daughter of the late Mr Patrick Hobson and of Mrs Jeanne Hobson.

Mr J.P. Miller and Miss Y. Yanai

The engagement is announced between Julian, elder son of Mr and Mrs Douglas Miller, of Whiteleaf, Buckinghamshire, and Yasuko, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Genhachi Yanai, of Gunma, Japan. The wedding will take place in Tokyo in October.

Captain J.H. Morgan-Owen and Miss S.L. Austin

The engagement is announced between Captain Huw Morgan-Owen, The Royal Regiment of Wales (24th/41st Foot), younger son of Mr J.G. Morgan-Owen, CB, MBE, QC, and Mrs Morgan-Owen, of Kingsley, Hampshire, and Sally, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter Austin, of Blean, Canterbury, Kent.

Mr W.F. Schofield and Miss S.M.V. Davies

The marriage will take place on Saturday, June 26, of William, younger son of Mr Derek and Mrs Maureen Schofield, of Southampton, and Siân, elder daughter of Dr Walford and Dr Lynette Davies, of Llanelli.

Mr S.M. Sinclair Bendall and Dr C.K.A. Pointon

The engagement is announced between Stephen Michael, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Peter Bendall, of Kaltenkirchen, Germany, and Clare Kerry Alice, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Kenneth Pointon, of Ightham, Kent.

Marriage

Sir Charles J.S. Hobhouse, Bt, and Miss K. Macarthur-Onslow

The marriage took place on Saturday, June 5, in Sydney, of Sir Charles Hobhouse, son of Lady Hobhouse and the late Sir Charles Chisholm Hobhouse, Bt, to Miss Katrina Macarthur-Onslow, daughter of Lady Macarthur-Onslow and the late Sir Denzil Macarthur-Onslow.

Launderers' Company

The following have been elected officers of the Launderers' Company for the ensuing year:

Master, Mr James G. Crisp; Deputy Master, Mr Melvyn F.H. Rogers; Senior Warden, Mr Brian St John Mowbray; Renter Warden, Mr James I.S. Fox.

Church news

Appointments

The Rev John Handley, Rector, Reedham and Cantley w Limpenhoe and Southwood: to be Priest-in-charge, Harling East w Harling West, Bridgham w Roudham (Norwich).

The Rev Brian Hogwood, permission to officiate, diocese Norwich: to be Honorary Assistant Curate to the Team Rector, Thetford Team Ministry (Norwich).

The Rev Stephen Holdaway, Chaplain, Lincoln Industrial Mission: to be Team Rector, St James, Louth (Lincoln).

The Rev Ivan Howitt, Rector, Ownby: to be *also* Priest-in-charge, Hackthorn (Lincoln).

The Rev Petro Hryziuk, Assistant Curate, St George, Huyton: to be Assistant Curate, St Paul, Goose Green (Liverpool).

The Rev Dr Ian Kenway, Assistant Secretary, Church of England Board for Social Responsibility, Church House, Westminster, and Editor of its journal "Crucible": to be Director of Studies of the Centre for the Study of Theology at the University of Essex, and Anglican Chaplain at the University (Chelmsford).

The Rev Anthony Lawrence, Vicar, Holy Trinity, Ashton-under-Lyne: to be Vicar, St Chad, Saddleworth (Manchester).

The Rev Brian Levick, Assistant Curate, Kettlewell w Conistone, Hubberholme (Bradford): to be Ecumenical Officer and Hon Assistant, St Denys, Sleaford (Lincoln).

The Rev Diane Mawbey, Parish Deacon, Menston w Woodhead (Bradford): to be Assistant Chaplain, Children's Hospital, Birmingham (Birmingham).

Weekend birthdays

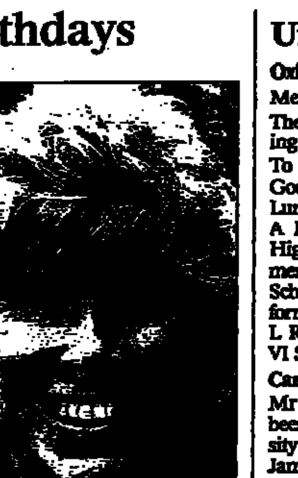
The Duchess of Gloucester celebrates her birthday tomorrow.

Today

Sir Michael Alexander, diplomat, 57; the Duke of Atholl, 62; Aung San Suu Kyi, Nobel laureate, 48; Sir Robin Brook, former president, Association of Chambers of Commerce of EEC, 85; Dr Neil Chalmers, director, Natural History Museum, 51; Sir Terence Clark, diplomat, 59; Sir Allan Davis, former Lord Mayor of London, 72; Lieutenant-General Sir Peter Duffell, 54; Miss Ena Evans, headmistress, King Edward VI High School, Birmingham, 55; Mr Bryan Kneale, sculptor, 63; Sir Edward Lambert, diplomat, 92; Mr R.N.D. Langdon, company chairman, 74; Dame Unity Lister, former vice-chairman, European Union of Women, 80; the Earl of Minto, 65; Rear-Admiral Sir Morgan Morgan-Giles, former MP, 79; Brigadier E.J. Nolan, former director, WRAC, 73; Sir Francis Purchas, former High Court Judge, 74; Mr Salman Rushdie, writer, 46; Sir Alfred Shepperd, former chairman and chief executive, Wellcome Foundation, 68; Mr David Somerset, former chief cashier, Bank of England, 63; Surgeon Vice-Admiral Sir Derek Steele-Perkins, 85; Mr John Sutherland, civil engineer, 65.

Tomorrow

Professor William Balchin, geographer, 77; Sir Brian Barder, diplomat, 59; Professor Arthur Bell, former director, Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, 67; Lord Brightman, 82; Dame Catherine Cookson, author, 87; the Earl of Cranbrook, 60; Brigadier Jill Field, former director, Defence Nursing Services, 59; Mr Stephen Frears, film director, 52; Mr David French, director, Relate, 46; Mr Ronald Hines, actor, 64; Mr R.P. Hornby, former chairman, Halifax Building Society, 71; Mr Allan Lamb, cricketer, 39; Mr S.G. Metcalfe, former chairman, Ranks Hovis McDougall, 61; Mr Johnny Morris, broadcaster, 77; Sir Antony Pilkington, chairman, Pilkington, 58; Mr John Powls, governor, Dartmoor prison, 40; Mr Raul Ramirez, tennis player, 40; Mr Lionel Richie, singer and songwriter, 44; Mr Budge Rogers, rugby player, 54; Professor Sir Richard Southwood, vice-chancellor, Oxford University, 62; Viscount Stuart of Findhorn, 69; Mr Justice Tudor Evans, 73; the Right Rev John Waine, Bishop of Chelmsford, 63; Mr Brian Wilson, singer and composer, 51.



The actress Wendy Craig is 59 tomorrow

University news

Oxford

Merton College

The college announces the following promotions:

To Postmasterships: Mr A J Goodall, formerly of Lady Lumley's School, Pickering; Miss A M Jones, formerly of Oxford High School; Mr D Lowe, formerly of the Royal Grammar School, Guildford; Mr P Miller, formerly of Bedford School; Mr M L Rist, formerly of King Edward VI School, Chelmsford.

Cambridge

Mr A J Bowen of Jesus College has been elected to be the new University Orator in succession to Dr James Diggle who retired after giving his 100th address in praise of honorary graduates to Dame Iris Murdoch, the novelist and philosopher, at the degree day ceremony in the Senate House, Cambridge on June 10.

Legal appointments

Judge Michael Alexander Geddes Sachs, Judge Stephen George Mitchell QC, and Rodger Bell QC to be Justices of the High Court, assigned to the Queen's Bench Division.

Miss Gillian Ruaux, Philip John Price QC and John Houghton Roberts to be Circuit Judges. Miss Ruaux and Mr Roberts on the Northern Circuit, Mr Price on the Wales and Chester Circuit.

Michael Patrick Henry Daniel to be joint district judge for the districts of the Bristol and Weston-super-Mare County Courts, and in the District Registry of the High Court at Bristol from July 12.

Anniversaries

Today

BIRTHS: King James VI of Scotland, reigned 1567-1625, afterwards as King James I of England and Ireland, reigned 1603-25, Edinburgh, 1566; Thomas Fuller, preacher and scholar, Aldwincle, Northamptonshire, 1608; Blaise Pascal, mathematician and philosopher, Clermont-Ferrand, France, 1623; John Gibson, sculptor, Gyffin, 1790; Charles Haddon Spurgeon, preacher, Kelvedon, Essex, 1834; Douglas Haigh, 1st Earl Haigh, field marshal, Edinburgh, 1861; the Duchess of Windsor (née Wallis Warfield), Baltimore, Maryland, 1896; Sir Ernst Chain, biochemist, Nobel laureate 1945, Berlin, 1906.

DEATHS: William Sherlock, Dean of St Paul's 1691-1707, London, 1707; Nicolas Lemery, chemist, Paris, 1715; John Brown, theologian, Haddington, Lothian, 1787; Sir Joseph Banks, naturalist, Isleworth, west London, 1820; Maximilian, Archduke of Austria, Emperor of Mexico 1864-67, executed, Mexico, 1867; John Emerich Acton, 1st Baron Acton of Aldenham, historian, Tegernsee, Bavaria, 1902; Sir James Barrie, dramatist and novelist, London, 1937.

Sir Robert Peel's Police Act was passed, 1829.

The first Zeppelin dirigible airship, the *Deutschland*, was launched, 1910.

Tomorrow

BIRTHS: George Hickes, theologian, Newsham, near Thirsk, 1642; Adam Ferguson, philosopher, Logierait, Tayside, 1723; Anna Barbauld, poet, Kibworth-Harcourt, Leicestershire, 1743; Jacques Offenbach, composer, Cologne, 1819; Madardo Rosso, sculptor, Turin, 1858; Kurt Schwitters, painter and poet, Hanover, 1887; John Aloysius Costello, Prime Minister of Ireland 1948-51 and 1954-57, Dublin, 1891; Lillian Hellman, dramatist, New Orleans, 1907.

DEATHS: Willem Barents, navigator, the Arctic, 1597; Karl Abel, composer, London, 1787; Emmanuel-Joseph Sieyès, statesman, Paris, 1836; King William IV, reigned 1830-37, London, 1837; James C. Mangan, poet, Meath, 1849; Jules de Goncourt, writer, Auteuil, France, 1870.

The Nawab of Bengal imprisoned 146 captured defenders of Calcutta in "the black hole", 1756

Queen Victoria succeeded to the throne, 1837.

Service dinners

1st Battalion The Royal Irish Regiment

The Duke of York, Colonel-in-Chief of The Royal Irish Regiment, attended a dinner held last night at the Salamanca Barracks, Episkopi, Cyprus, to mark the Battle of Waterloo. Officers of the 1st Battalion The Royal Irish Regiment and B Squadron The Queens' Own Hussars were the hosts. Captain A.K. Cullen presided. Officers from the 4th/5th Battalion The Royal Irish Rangers were present.

Shrivenham Club

The Hon William Waldegrave, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, was the principal guest at the annual symposium dinner of the Shrivenham Club held last night at the Royal Military College of Science, Shrivenham. Major-General E.F.G. Burton, commandant, presided.

Gordon Highlanders

The Annual Gordon Highlanders' Dinner took place at the Caledonian Club last night. Lieutenant General Sir Peter Graham, KCB, CBE, presided and 70 officers and their guests attended.

RAF Stanbridge

Officers of RAF Stanbridge entertained their ladies at dinner in the Officers Mess last night. Flight Lieutenant J.F. Hunter-Tod presided. Wing Commander T.N.J. Pemberton-Pigott, Station Commander, and Squadron Leader C.A. Britton also spoke.

RAF Wattisham

A dinner was held last night at RAF Wattisham, Suffolk to mark the end of RAF operations from the base. Wing Commander S. Blackburn, the last station commander, presided.

Chartered Accountants

The following have been elected officers of the Company of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales for the ensuing year:

Master, Mrs B. M. Culverhouse; Senior Warden, Mr F.B. Harrison; Junior Warden, Mr J.M. Renshall.

Royal engagement

TODAY: Princess Margaret, as Patron of the Mary Hare Grammar School, will attend a dinner at Highclere Castle at 8.00 in aid of the Mary Hare Foundation.

Church services tomorrow

Second Sunday after Trinity

CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL: 8 HC; 9.30 M, Mrs Diana Collins; 11 Sung Euch, Missa Brevis (Bennett), O taste and see (Vaughan Williams), The Precentor; 3.15 E, Responses (Tomkins), Wood in D, Praised be the God of love (Britten); 4 Thanksgiving, Te Deum (Vaughan Williams); 6.30 E, The Bishop of Dover.

CARLISLE CATHEDRAL: 10.30 Sung Euch, Canzona Prima (Frescobaldi), Aeterna Christi Munera (Palestrina), Ave verum corpus (Mozart), Joie et clarte (Messiaen), The Dean; 3 E; 6 E (St Andrew's, Corbridge), In pace (Blitheman), Responses (Walsh), Brewer in D, Hear my prayer (Mendelssohn), Prelude and Fugue in C minor (Mendelssohn); 6.30 NP, Mrs Joan Barham.

CHELMSFORD CATHEDRAL: 7.30 MP; 8 HC; 9.30 Parish Communion, Canon Barry Thompson; 11.15 Sung Euch, O thou that hearest prayer (Walford Davies), Missa Aeterna Christi Munera (Palestrina), Canon David Knight; 3 Royal British Legion Service, Rev Stanley Conway Lee; 6 Choral E, Listen sweet dove (Ives), Vice Provost.

CHESTER CATHEDRAL: 7.45 Litany (St Erasmus Chapel); 8 HC; 10 Choral M, Te Deum (Herbert W Sumsion in G), Canon Colin Bennetts; 11.30 Choral Euch, Thou wilt keep him (Wesley), Christopher Steel in E minor, Amen (Naylor); 3.30 Choral E, Responses (Rose), H K Andrews in G, How lovely are thy dwellings fair (Brahms), Amen (Naylor), Prelude on Urbs beata (Willan); 6.30 E, The Dean.

DURHAM CATHEDRAL: 8 HC; 10.15 M, Te Deum in G (Vaughan Williams), Jubilate in E flat (Britten), A Hymn of St Columba (Britten), Rev Margaret Parker; 11.30 HC, Jackson in G, Be still, my soul (Whitlock), Canon Coppin; 3.30 E, Eden in G, Evening Hymn (Balfour Gardiner), Maestoso from the Sonata (Harwood).

ELY CATHEDRAL: 8.15 HC; 10.30 Sung Euch, Missa Brevis (Preston), Jubilate (Mathias), O for a closer walk (Stanford), Organ: Toccata (Whitlock), Canon Rone; 2.15 Cambridgeshire Regiment Old Comrades' Service; 3.45 E, Preces (Moore), Stanford in G, Exultate Deo (Howells), Organ: Tu es Petra (Mulet).

LINCOLN CATHEDRAL: 7.45 Litany; 8 HC; 9.30 Sung Euch, Messe Solennelle (Langlais), The Very Rev John Gladwin, Provost of Sheffield; 11.15 M, Ubi caritas et amor (Duruflé); 12.30 HC; 3.45 E, Collegium regale (Howells), Cantique de Jean Racine (Fauré), Transports de joie (Messiaen), The Dean.

LICHFIELD CATHEDRAL: 8 HC; 10.30 Sung Euch, Missa Brevis (Palestrina), Jubilate from Short Service (Weelkes), O Lord increase my faith (Loosemore), Preb Michael Harding; 3.30 E, Responses (Clucas), Gloucester Service (Howells), O pray for the peace of Jerusalem (Howells).

LLANDAFF CATHEDRAL: 7.30 M & Litany; 8 Holy Euch, Rev J F Redvers-Harris; 9 Parish Euch, Rev J F Redvers-Harris; 11 Sung Euch, Missa Brevis (Walker), Creed (Shaw), The Law of the Lord (Mathias), Canon in Residence; 12.15 Holy Euch (Lady Chapel); 3.30 Choral E, Canticles in D (Wood), Fair is the heaven (Harris); 6.30 Parish E & Sermon, The Ven R H Roberts.

MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL: 8.45 MP; 9 HC; 10.30 Sung Euch, Missa Sancti Nicolai (Haydn), Beati quorum via (Stanford), The Dean; 6.30 E, Responses (Ayleward), Short Service (Ayleward), Lord for thy tender mercy's sake (Hilton), The Dean.

SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL: 9 Euch; 11 Choral Euch, Collegium Regale (Howells), Os justi (Bruckner), Surely thou hast tasted (Rose), Canon Roy White; 3 E, Stanford in C, Thy word is a lantern (Purcell), Canon David Atkinson.

TRURO CATHEDRAL: 8 HC; 9 M, The Treasurer; 10 Sung Euch, O taste and see (Vaughan Williams), Schubert in G, Ave Verum Corpus (Mozart), Voluntary: Concerto in A minor (Vivaldi/Bach), The Librarian; 3 Royal Air Force Association Service; 6 E, Responses (Sanders), Dyson in F, The heavens are telling (Haydn), Voluntary: Prelude a L'Apres midi d'un faune (Debussy), Canon Richard Maynard.

WELLS CATHEDRAL: 8 HC; 9.45 Sung Euch, Missa O quam gloriosum, Ven C E Thomas; 11.30 M, Te Deum (Vaughan Williams in C), Jubilate (Walton), O Lord increase our faith (Loosemore); 3 E, Sumsion in A, The Twelve (Walton), Rev C M Bonneywell.

WESTMINSTER ABBEY: 8 HC; 10 M, Responses (Rawsthorne), Jubilate (Walton), Te Deum in F (Darke), O Lord our Govenor (Willan), Canon Colin Semper; 11.15 Abbey Euch, Stanford in B flat, Give us the wings of faith (Bullock), Beati quorum via (Stanford), Canon Paul Bates; 3 E, O praise God in his holiness (Rawsthorne), Rev Ann Easter; 5.45 Organ Recital, Donald Sutherland; 6.30 E, Rev Paul Ferguson.

WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL: 7, 8, 9, 12, 5.30, 7 Masses; 10.30 Solemn Mass, Missa Bell'amfitrit altera (Lassus), Domine, quis habitabit (Erbach), O salutaris hostia (Tallis), Trois Danses (Alain); 10 MP; 2.30 Organ recital, Iris Schollhorn; 3.30 Solemn V & B, Magnificat primi toni (Victoria), Sing joyfully unto God (Byrd), L'Ange au parfum (Messiaen).

YORK MINSTER: 8 HC; 8.45 HC; 9 Cyclists Service; 10 Sung Euch, Missa Sancti Nicolai (Haydn), Canon Ralph Mayland; 11.30 M, Britten in E & C, Responses (Shephard); 4 E, in B minor (Blair), I was glad (Parry), Canon Ronald Metcalfe.

ST ASAPH CATHEDRAL, Clwyd: 11 Choral Euch, Darke in E, Never weather beaten sail (Shephard), Voluntary: Fanfare (Whitlock), The Ven J S Davies; 3.30 Choral E, Sumsion in G, Responses (Ferial), Justorum Animae (Stanford), Voluntary: Trio in C minor (Krebs).

ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL, Southwark: 6pm LM (Sat); 11.30 HM, Spatzen Mass (Mozart), Domini Fili (Vivaldi), Fr Dermot Dunne.

ST GILES' CATHEDRAL, Edinburgh: 8 HC, The Minister; 10 HC, Douce Memoire (Lassus), The Minister; 11.30 MS, The trumpet shall sound (Wilson), The Minister; 6 Chamber Ensemble, John Willmet; 8 ES, Rev David Macleod.

ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL: 8 HC; 10.30 M, Te Deum & Jubilate (Macpherson in E), The Ven George Cassidy, Archdeacon of London; 11.30 HC, Missa Brevis (Chapple), A new commandment give I unto you (Tallis); 3.15 E, The Service of Twelve Notes (Ridout), Lord, thou hast been our refuge (Walker), Voluntary: Postlude in C (Smart), Rev Canon John Dinnen.

ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL, Dundee: 8 HC; 9.40 Sung Communion; 11 Choral Euch, Stanford in B flat, Beati quorum via (Stanford), The Provost; 6.30 Choral E, The Second Service (Byrd), O thou the central orb (Wood), Rev G Greig.

ALL SAINTS, Margaret Street, W1: 8 & 5.15 LM; 11 HM, Messe Solennelle (Gounod), Here O my Lord (Whitlock), Rev C L Geake; 6 E & B, in B minor (Howells), O Lord the maker (Mundy), Rev P McGeary.

ALL SOULS, Langham Place, W1: 9.30 HC; 11 Rev Stephen Wookey; 6.30 Rev John Cook.

AMERICAN CHURCH IN LONDON, Tottenham Court Rd, W1: 9.45 Sunday School; 11 Worship, Rev James Schmidt.

THE ASSUMPTION, Warwick Street, W1: 11 Missa ad fugam (Palestrina), Gaude flore Virginali (Carver), Laudate Dominum (Tye).

CHELSEA OLD CHURCH, SW3: 8 HC; 10 Children's Service; 11 M, Almighty and everlasting God (Gibbons), Ven Tim Raphael; 12.15 HC; 6 E, Voluntary for the double organ (Purcell), Mr John Watherston.

CROWN COURT CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, Covent Garden, WC2: 11.15, The Lord hath been mindful (Wesley), Rev Stanley Hood; 6.30 Rev Stanley Hood.

FARM STREET, W1: 7.30, 8.30, 10, 12.15, 4.15, 6.15 LM; 11 HM.

HOLY TRINITY BROMPTON, Brompton Road, SW7: 9 HC, Mr Michael Broadley; 11 Informal Service (Creche & Children's Church), Rev Sandy Millar; 6.30 Informal Service, Rev Tom Gillum.

THE ORATORY, Brompton Road, SW7: 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 Mass in C sharp minor (Vierne), O sacrum convivium (Handl), 12.30, 4.30, 7; 3.30 V & B, Adoramus te Christe (Aichinger).

ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL OF THE DIVINE WISDOM, Moscow Road, London W2: 9.30 M; 11 Divine Liturgy, Byzantine Chant and Choral Music sung in Greek.

WESLEY'S CHAPEL, City Road, EC2: 9.45 HC; 11 MS, Rev Paul Hulme.

WESTMINSTER CENTRAL HALL (Methodist), SW1: 11 & 6.30 Rev R John Tudor.

ST ALBAN THE MARTYR, Holborn: 11 HM, Mass in C (Beethoven), O quam gloriosum (Victoria), Rev J McKay; 3.30 E & B, Evening Service in G (Stanford), My soul there is a country (Parry), Te Deum (Elgar).

ST ANNE AND ST AGNES (Lutheran), Gresham St, EC2: 11 Choral HC, Rev Randy Skow-Anderson, Christ Lutheran Church; 7 Bach Vespers, Cantata 7 Die Himmel erzählen die Ehre Gottes (Bach), Motet Herzlich lieb hab ich dich (Hammerschmidt), Violin Concerto in G minor (Bach), Rev Ronald T Englund.

ST BARTHOLOMEW THE GREAT, Smithfield, EC1: 9 HC; 11 M & HC, Responses (Gibbons & Barnard), O Lord in thy wrath (Gibbons), The Rector; 6.30 Choral Euch, Missa Brevis (Selber), Sicut cervus (Palestrina), Rev Anthony Winter.

ST BRIDE'S, Fleet Street, EC4: 11 Choral M & Euch, Darke in F, How beautiful upon the mountains (Stainer), Canon John Oates; 6.30 Choral E, Responses (Radcliffe), Darke in F, And I saw a new heaven (Bainton), Canon John Oates.

ST CLEMENT DANES: 9 HC; 11 Choral Euch, Missa Brevis in D (Mozart), Ave Verum Corpus (Elgar), Rev A T R Goode.

ST GEORGE'S, Hanover Square, W1: 8.30 HC; 11 Sung Euch, Mass in A (Darlow), A Paternoster (Stravinsky), Very Rev John McCarthy.

ST LUKE'S, Chelsea, SW3: 8 HC; 10.30 MP (said), Rev Gisela Raines; 6.30 E, My beloved spake (Hadley), Voluntary: Fugue, Choral & Epilogue (Howells), Rev Derek Watson.

ST MARK'S, Regents Park Rd, NW1: 8 HC; 10 Family C; 11 Sung Euch, Jackson in G, The Lord hath been mindful, Rev Tom Devonshire Jones.

ST MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS, WC2: 8 HC; 9.45 Euch, Rev John Pridmore; 11.30 Visitors to London Service, Rev Bernhard Schunemann; 12.30 HC; 2.45 Chinese Service, Rev Joyce Bennett; 5 Choral E; 6.30 ES, Rev John Pridmore.

ST MARY'S, Bourne Street, SW1: 9, 9.45, 7 LM; 11 HM, Missa Già fu chi m'hebbe cara (Palestrina), Fr Bill Scott; 6 Solemn E & B.

ST MARY-THE-VIRGIN, Primrose Hill: 8 HC; 10.30 Parish Euch, Collegium Regale (Howells), Ave Maria (Parsons), The Rev John Ovenden; 6 Taizé Service.

ST MARYLEBONE, Marylebone Road, W1: 8 HC; 11 Choral Euch, Orgelsolomesse (Mozart), Like as the hart (Howells), The Rev Christine Owen; 6.30 EP.

ST MICHAEL'S, Cornhill, EC3: 11 Choral Euch, Victoria (Missa Quarti Toni), Sacerdotes Domini (Byrd).

ST PAUL'S, Wilton Place, SW1: 8 & 9 HC; 11 Solemn Euch, Missa Brevis in D (Fux), We have heard with our ears (Howells), If ye love me, keep my commandments (Tallis), Rev Christopher Courtauld.

ST STEPHEN'S, Gloucester Road, SW7: 8 & 9 Low Masses; 11 Solemn Mass, Missa Brevis (Gabrieli), Gustate et videte (Isaac), Cantate Domino (Hassler), Fr Neil Cocking; 6 Solemn E & B.

CHAPEL ROYAL, St. James's Palace: 8.30 HC; 11.15 MP, This is the record of John (Gibbons), Canon J S D Mansel.

CHAPEL ROYAL, Hampton Court Palace: 8.30 HC; 11 M, Farant in F minor, Almighty God, which hast me brought (Ford).

GROSVENOR CHAPEL, South Audley Street, W1: 11 Sung Euch, Organ mass (Frescobaldi), Fr Christopher Lowe.

QUEEN'S CHAPEL OF THE SAVOY, WC2: 11 M, Ireland in F, My soul there is a country (Parry), Rev Richard Robson; 12.30 HC.

CHAPEL ROYAL OF ST PETER AD VINCULA, HM Tower of London: 9.15 HC; 11 M & Sermon, Responses (Leighton), Te Deum (Howells), Benedictus, And I saw a new heaven (Bainton), Canon J G M W Murphy.

THE TEMPLE CHURCH, Fleet Street: 8.30 HC; 11.15 MP, Responses (Rose), Te Deum Laudamus (Thalben-Ball in B flat), Jubilate Deo (Thalben-Ball in B flat), Why rage fiercely the heathen (Mendelssohn); Voluntary: Toccata (Duruflé), Ven Frank Weston, Archdeacon of Oxford.

GUARDS CHAPEL, Wellington Barracks, SW1: 11 M, Comfort O Lord (Crotch), Benedictus, Hear my prayer (Mendelssohn), Voluntary: H R H Duke of Cambridge (Arnold), Rev R Clayton-Jones; 12 HC (said).

ROYAL NAVAL COLLEGE CHAPEL, Greenwich, SE10: 11 Sung Euch, God be in my head (Rutter), O pray for the peace (Howells), The Chaplain.

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BIRTHS

DEAKIN - On June 14th, to Rachel (née Mason) and Simon, a daughter, Flavia Polly Frances, a sister for Harriet.

DINGWALL-FORDYCE - On Thursday 17th June, to Lucinda and Andrew, a son, William Francis.

DUNSCOMBE - On June 16th 1993, to Anna (née Tillyard) and Mark, a son.

LANE - On 12th June 1993, to Angela (née Thompsett) and David, a son, Toby Edward Jocelyn.

MORTON - On June 8th, to Paula and Paul, a daughter, Alice Margaret, a sister for Harriet, at Jessops, Sheffield.

MURRAY-EVANS - On June 13th at The Portland Hospital, to Sara and Martin, our beautiful daughter, Rowena Alice Rachael, a little treasure.

SHIND - On June 17th at The Portland Hospital, a daughter Hannah Cecilia Jane, a first child to Alan and Elaine.

SWYCHER - On Sunday June 13th 1993 at Royal Free Hospital, Hampstead, London, a daughter Emma Scott to Sally (née Farmer) and Nigel Swycher.

TALBOT - On June 17th 1993, to Lucy (née Gubbins) and Peter, a son, George Alastair Heyworth, a brother for Edward and Camilla.

TAYLOR - On 17th June, to Alison (née Pooley) and Richard, a son.

WILLIAMSON - On June 14th 1993, to Mylène (née Kammengiesser) and St-John, a son, Ralph St-John.

DEATHS

BALLENDEN - On June 15th 1993, suddenly at sea, Colonel John Patrick St Clair Ballenden O.B.E., M.C., LL.B., loved husband of Daphne. Funeral Service at the Church of the Sacred Heart, South Street, Exeter, on Thursday June 24th at 3pm followed by private cremation. No flowers, but donations please to R.N.L.I., c/o Torbay & District Funeral Service, Wellswood House, 11 Babbacombe Road, Torquay.

CRAVEN - Anne Marie at home on Thursday 17th June, much loved wife, mother and grandmother. Funeral at St Mary's Church, Swanage, on Tuesday 22nd June at 2 pm.

D'OYLY-JOHN - Cecil Rochfort of Doyly Cottage, Rottingdean, East Sussex. Husband of Joan, on 10th June 1993 in his 87th year.

FRIEL - On May 28th at Oakville-Trafalgar Memorial Hospital, Kerry, Vice President of Sedgwick Payne Re-Insurance, Toronto, aged 43. Beloved husband of Sarah, loved father of Amy and Alexander, dear son of Dr. and Mrs James Friel of Sandbach, Cheshire, brother of Mary and Cathy and son-in-law of Sir Edwin and Lady Leather of Bermuda. If wished, donations to Erinoak (serving handicapped young people), 2277 South Millway, Mississauga, Ontario L5L 2M5 or St Andrew's Catholic Church Building Fund, 47 Reynolds Street, Oakville, Ontario L6J 3J9, Canada.

HUNTER - On 17th June 1993 at her home in Southwell, Nottinghamshire, Honora Winifred aged 62 years. Beloved wife of Dr H Hunter.

HUTCHINSON - On June 14th in hospital after a short illness, Nicholas Hugh, son of Neva and of the late John Hutchinson. Funeral to be held at St Nicholas Church, North Stoneham, Hants, at 11.30 am on Tuesday 22nd June.

MAY - On June 17th, peacefully in hospital, Margaret Elizabeth May (née Davies), aged 83 years. Loving mother of Gilly and Jacky and dearly loved by her grandchildren. Will be sadly missed by family and friends. Service at St Peter's, Walton-on-the-Hill, 1 pm Thursday June 24th followed by private cremation. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to Cancer Research Campaign for Studies of Familial Cancers.

RANSFORD - Janet Mary on June 17th 1993. Beloved wife of Merrill, mother of Priscilla and Richard, grandmother of Jane, Peter, Anthony and Michael. Peacefully, aged 98 years, at Woodhouse Nursing Home, near Aldeburgh, Suffolk, after a long illness. Funeral Service at Aldeburgh Parish Church on Wednesday June 23rd at 11 am. No flowers. Donations if desired made payable to The Friends of Aldeburgh Cottage Hospital c/o Tony Brown's Funeral Service, Saxmundham, Suffolk.

SHEARER - On 17th June, peacefully, Constance Mary of West Chillington, aged 82. Wife of the late Archie Shearer. Cremation Service at Worthing Crematorium at 2.40 pm on 28th June. Family flowers only. Donations, if wished, to Cancer Research, c/o Jordan & Cooks, 82 Ann Street, Worthing.

SHEPPARD - On June 13th 1993, peacefully in Cranhill Nursing Home, Bath, Walter William Sheppard B.Sc.(Econ.), Husband of the late Edith and father of Anthony. Funeral Service at Bath Abbey on Wednesday June 23rd at 3 pm, followed by interment at Bratton, Wilts. Family flowers only. Donations may be sent to The British Heart Foundation, 6 Terrace Walk, Bath.

TORROCK - Henry Cornish, peacefully at home on Thursday 17th June. Funeral 11 am Friday 25th June 1993. No flowers but donations to Morlands Church.

TOTTENHAM - née Corsar, on 18th June peacefully in the care of Martyn Lodge, Henfield, West Sussex, Gertrude aged 93, widow of Clive Tottenham, twin sister of Dorothy Foster also of Martyn Lodge and a beloved aunt. Funeral Service and burial at St Peter's Church, Henfield, on Tuesday 22nd June at 3.30 pm.

IN MEMORIAM - PRIVATE

BAX - Audrey, beloved wife of Hugh, 19th June 1991. Always in our hearts.

MOON - CRONIN - Frederick Gordon and Nora Margaret, previously of the Fire Brigade in Kent and latterly in retirement in Norfolk, whose devotion and loyalty to each other were exemplary. Son of Frederick William Moon and Gertrude Emma (née Steward) and daughter of Lieutenant Commander Richard Cronin and Margaret Ellen (née Marley). In loving memory of Mummy and Daddy, very sadly missed on what would have been their Golden Wedding, 19 June 1993, by their only child: Margaret (Maggie Heraty). I wish I still had your support and companionship in these difficult times.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LILIAN Constance Smith (Maiden name) formerly of 88 Alexander Road, St. Marylebone. Old friend would sincerely love to re-establish contact with her. Any information regarding her whereabouts would be greatly appreciated. Please Reply to Box No 2770

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OBITUARIES

SIR RICHARD NORMAN

Sir Richard Norman, KBE, FRS, Rector of Exeter College, Oxford, died on June 6 aged 61. He was born on April 27, 1932.



DICK NORMAN played a leading role in the development of our understanding of reaction mechanisms in organic chemistry. He also served in two government departments, notably the Ministry of Defence where he was involved in many of the defence equipment procurement issues of the 1980s. In 1988 he was appointed an honorary fellow of Merton College where he had been first a junior research fellow, then fellow and tutor; in 1989 he was made an honorary fellow of Balliol. From 1965 to 1987, he was founding professor of Chemistry at the University of York where he built a fine department from the ground up. He had been Rector of Exeter College since 1987.

The son of Oswald George Norman, he was educated at St Paul's School and Balliol College, Oxford, where he was a Brackenbury Scholar. His research interests were first stimulated by his tutors there, Ronnie Bell and Alec Waters. One of his main concerns was to elucidate the chemistry of free radicals, and he was one of the first to use electron spin resonance spectroscopy to study the structure and reactivity of some of these intermediates.

He was president of the Royal Institute of Chemistry from 1978 until its last meeting in May 1980. He was at the centre of the discussions on unification with the Chemical Society. The two societies were granted a new charter under the name of the Royal Society of Chemistry in June 1980. Norman had contributed much to the smooth progress of the merger, and it was fitting that, not long afterwards, he should have been elected president of the new Royal Society of Chemistry: he held that office from 1984 to 1986.

Norman's original research work, done in the Dyson Perrins Laboratory at Oxford, got off to a fine start. His first research student was Jeremy Knowles, now Dean of Harvard, and his second was George Radda, now British Heart Foundation Professor of Molecular Cardiology at Oxford. They were followed by a line of distinguished pupils and collaborators at Oxford and York, and in Australia and New Zealand, where at one time he held an Erskine fellowship at the University of Canterbury in Christchurch.

In 1962 Lord James of Rusholme, the first vice-chancellor at York, appointed Norman to found a department of chemistry. One of the first members of staff records that he was interviewed in the United States. "That an English university should actually come to the US to look at candidates was an encouraging novelty in those days. At the end of the interview Dick asked me what my expenses were and I calculated and told him. He promptly produced a roll of dollars and paid me then and there on my signature for receipt."

Having established himself in early days as a clear and exciting lecturer, Norman saw to it that due attention was paid to this aspect of teaching at York. With patience, tact and skill he set up a department that felt itself to be a community and which was able to weather the storms of the days of student unrest and to grow.

The first edition of his *Principles of Organic Synthesis* (1968) is dedicated to his tutors at Balliol. A review in *Nature* described it as: "an important milestone in the teaching of organic chemistry". Ahead of its time, the book was one of the first texts to emphasise synthesis, the heart of modern academic and industrial organic chemistry. It has been the most influential book in dictating the content of teaching in the subject in the UK and much further afield. The aim of the book was to show how an understanding of the principles underlying the detailed ways in which molecules change can be applied to plan the construction of organic compounds.

In 1972 there followed *Modern Organic Chemistry*, written in collaboration with David Waddington. The second edition of the *Principles* was published in 1978, and a third one, with a new co-author, has just been completed. Norman's remarkable ability to see clearly the direction and elegance of chemistry is elaborated with great simplicity in the *Principles of Organic Synthesis*, which remains his testament to a love of chemistry and scholarship.

The Salters' Institute of Industrial Chemistry was founded in 1918 to help men returning from the war to get back into the chemical industry. Norman was appointed director in 1975. Under him, there was a transformation and enlargement of the institute's work — in particular the development of support for the teaching of chemistry in schools. His contribution was recognised in 1984 by his election as a Liveryman of the Salters' Company.

From 1983 to 1988 Norman was Chief Scientific Adviser to the Ministry of Defence. He brought a quiet dispassionate voice to the many debates of the mid and late 1980s when the growth of defence budgets which had characterised the late 1970s and early 1980s was coming to an end. He took a particular interest in software intensive systems and played a major part in the cancelling of the ill-fated Nimrod airborne early warning project.

He also had to deal with our American allies on nuclear matters. He was involved in negotiating with the Americans over the Strategic Defense Initiative ("Star Wars") which was a major aspect of President Reagan's policy and was at one time espoused by Margaret Thatcher.

In 1988 Norman became Chief Scientific Adviser to the Department of Energy.

The time of his all-too-brief reign as Rector of Exeter was one of the gradual worsening of the financial climate in which colleges and universities find themselves. He saw it as a prime duty to prepare for a future with ever decreasing government support and threw himself with vigour into the college appeal, writing and talking to old members, near and far.

He was imaginative, too. Dr Alfred Brendel, who had previously been elected to an honorary fellowship, gave a recital in the Sheldonian, followed by a dinner in Hall, the proceeds from which went to the appeal.

As a college head Norman possessed the mandatory qualities of intellectual distinction and administrative skills. His incisive mind was also linked with a warm heart. He despised meanness of any kind. He was generous of his time — even on the days when he was working on one of his books or attending meetings at the Department of Energy. He gave a great deal to Exeter as he had already done to the many institutions and societies with which he had been connected.

He is survived by his wife Jennifer whom he married in 1982.

BINAY RANJAN SEN

Shri Binay Ranjan Sen, CIE, director-general of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation, 1956-67, died in Calcutta on June 12 aged 94. He was born on January 1, 1898.



FIGHTING famine dominated the diplomatic career of Binay Ranjan Sen, who when he was elected director-general of the FAO, became the first Asian to be elected to any of the special agencies of the United Nation. He was a civil servant in Bengal in 1942 when India began suffering one of the worst famines in its history. The great famine, which cost nearly a million lives, had begun with a typhoon in south Bengal in September. Thousands of men, women and children were washed into the sea and cattle were drowned. In December the Japanese added to the panic by bombing Calcutta.

For Sen, the most distressing thing was that there was sufficient food for the starving within the borders of India. But widespread corruption and lack of reserve food stocks and any adequate means of distribution had blocked it from the stricken areas. It was a situation which brought his flair for administration to the fore. The following year he was made director-general of food for all India.

Sen's rise in eminence in the food-aid industry was a natural progression for a Bengali, who after attending Calcutta and Oxford universities, had worked as a district officer in his native Bengal where 90 per cent of the population were engaged in agriculture. During the early years of the second world war he had been director of civil evacuation in Bengal, dealing with the flood of refugees from Burma.

In 1947 he moved into the diplomatic service, first as minister in Washington and then as India's ambassador to Italy and Yugoslavia; the US and Mexico; and eventually to Japan.

He became India's representative at the United Nations in 1947, returning to Delhi the following year as the Indian government's agriculture secretary. In 1949 and 1953 he headed a UN mission which studied agricultural rehabilitation in China and Southeast Asia and was India's representative at annual meetings of the UN's Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO).

On becoming director-general of the FAO in 1956 he set about increasing the awareness in the developed world of the sub-marginal conditions in which the great masses of people in the Third World lived. In 1960 he launched a campaign called Freedom from Hunger that led to the first World Food Conference in Washington.

Over the years, Sen was a central figure in the international efforts to combat the decline in agriculture, particularly in the developing world. Inevitably he often appeared to be a Cassandra-like figure, prophesying doom as population growth continued.

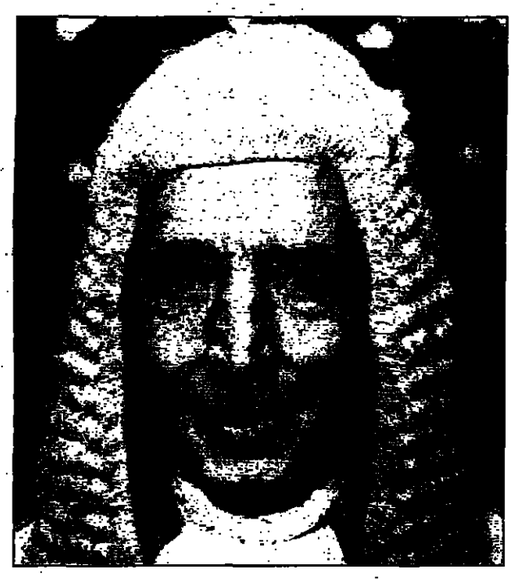
Perhaps equally inevitably, towards the end of his lengthy reign as director-general, he became embroiled in disputes over the FAO's structure and methods of operation. He was held responsible, by his critics, for the organisation's bureaucratic nature and its over-centralised administration.

A tall, elegant figure with silver hair and cultured tastes, presiding urbanely over a vast empire, housed in marbled splendour in the heart of Rome, Binay Ranjan Sen was an easy target for those who believed that the FAO had lost its way. Yet during his three terms of office the organisation had expanded its aid programmes by 450 per cent, trebled its personnel and increased, by four times, the number of experts it employed in the field. And for more than 25 years it had been Binay Ranjan Sen's voice that had led the way in provoking international awareness and concern.

He is survived by his wife and four daughters.

HIS HONOUR FRANCIS BLENNERHASSETT

His Honour Francis Alfred (Frank) Blennerhassett, QC, circuit judge, 1978-89, died on June 13 aged 76. He was born on July 7, 1916.



THE considerable change in the public's attitude to drinking and driving that has occurred over the past decade, is due at least in part to the efforts of Frank Blennerhassett. He cared passionately about the problem and every time there was a change of minister at the Department of Transport, he would renew his efforts to persuade the government to strengthen the law so that it would curb the motoring activities of high-risk drivers. He was engaged in this self-imposed task right up until the day he died.

Although he failed in his efforts — and also in his attempt to have the restrictions on police powers to arrest and breath-test drivers lifted — there is little doubt that his proposals for both these measures contributed to the greater public and political perception of the anti-social nature of drunk-driving.

His active involvement began in 1974, when he was appointed by Fred Mulley, the Transport Minister in the Labour government of the day, to head a committee charged with looking into the drink driving laws. Seven years had passed since the radical measures introduced in Barbara Castle's Road Safety Act of 1967 which had first brought breath-testing to the roads of Britain. During that period loop-holes had been discovered by wily solicitors and the dread, among motorists, of the breathalyser was beginning to wear off. Blennerhassett's report, in April, 1976, was awaited with keen interest by motorists everywhere, and with not a little trepidation by the driving and drinking fraternity. Sipping a half-pint of bitter after playing a round of golf at his local golf club in Warwickshire, the judge confessed to hoping that he would "have a few friends left" after the report's publication.

Inevitably his own habits came in for public scrutiny. He was in a situation, he pointed out wryly, in which he could not win. "If I say I don't drink people will say 'What do you know about it?', and if I saw I drink they will say 'Who are you to dictate to us?' "

Undaunted, however, by the prospect of bringing down upon his head the wrath of the nation's alcohol-consuming drivers, he and his committee recommended, tougher action against high-risk and second drink-drive offenders and, more controversially, the lifting of limitations on the powers of the police to stop drivers and give them breath-tests. Blennerhassett judiciously avoided using the term "random testing" — which is how most people regarded this proposal — and, indeed, maintained that the police were unlikely to test a driver whom they had no cause to suspect. But, he said, if motorists knew that the power of the police to stop them was no longer limited by the law, it would have a salutary effect on them.

It would mean more tests but, above all, tests at times and places where drinking drivers were most likely to be found. It was fundamental to the reforms proposed, he stressed, that the circumstances in which a constable might require a breath specimen from a driver should not be specified.

The motoring lobby reacted with predictable alarm. The Automobile Association said any breath-testing of "innocent drivers who had given no cause for suspicion" would be completely unjustifiable, while the RAC suggested that it would be "highly controversial" and might lead to police waiting outside public houses in order to to waylay departing customers.

Such was the uproar that the Callaghan government declined to act upon the recommendation and, even though opinion polls in recent years have shown the public to be strongly in favour of such tests, governments have continued to avoid grasping the nettle. His other recommendations — the development of special breathalyser machines and tougher action against high-risk offenders — have gradually been introduced, however.

Francis Alfred Blennerhassett was an unlikely ogre. Mild of manner with a ready sense of humour, he presided over proceedings in his court with cool authority and had an uncontested reputation for fairness and thoroughness.

Indeed, such was his thoroughness that he was six months late in delivering his report on drinking and driving, prompting a fellow barrister to comment: "If ever you're involved in a one-day case and Frank's opposing, it's wise to allow two days."

On several occasions in his career his sense of compassion was clearly apparent. In 1970, as prosecuting counsel in a case in which a man admitted the mercy killing of his paralysed and blind wife whom he had nursed for 11 years, Blennerhassett told the jury: "He took away a fragment of a living death that was left to her. He did it in a state of anguish that very few men could have to face. There is no jury in this land that would call this murder." The man was given a conditional discharge.

Educated at Solihull School, Blennerhassett saw action as a captain in the Royal Warwicks regiment during the second world war in East Africa, earlier serving with the Royal Artillery. He was called to the Bar by the Middle Temple in 1946, becoming a Bencher in 1971. From 1963 to 1971 he was deputy chairman at Staffordshire quarter sessions, recorder of New Windsor, 1965-71, a recorder of the Crown Court, 1972-78, honorary recorder of New Windsor, 1972-76, and of Windsor and Maidenhead, 1976-89. He was Legal Assessor to the GMC and the Dental Council, 1971-78, a member of the parole board, 1981-83, and served on the Home Office committee on magistrates' courts procedure from 1989 until his death.

His last efforts were aimed at persuading the government to make a small but significant change in the law to give the courts an efficient system of referring high-risk drink-driving offenders to the Secretary of State for Transport. This entailed extending the law to cover drivers who had a drink or drug abuse problem but were not totally dependent on either. This, he argued, was a category of offenders frequently before the courts. There were many young drivers who could not be said to be totally dependent on drink (as the law to deprive them of their licence required) but who nevertheless drank far too much.

As with his proposal to extend police powers to breath-test drivers, however, his suggestion fell upon deaf ears.

Francis Blennerhassett is survived by his wife Betty, whom he married in 1948, and by their two daughters.

GILBERT PHELPS

Gilbert Phelps, BBC producer, novelist and literary historian, died at Finstock, Oxfordshire, on June 15 aged 78. He was born on January 23, 1915.

THE phrase "man of letters" has come to have something of an old-fashioned flavour about it. But it certainly fitted Gilbert Phelps who, to the end of his life, could produce chapter and verse for virtually any quotation and illuminate the most arcane literary reference.

In his time Phelps was a university lecturer at Cambridge, British Council representative in Lisbon, schoolmaster at Blundell's School, Tiverton, BBC radio producer in the western region at Bristol, TV drama script editor in London, Third programme producer at Broadcasting House, books talks editor at Bush House and finally chief instructor in the BBC Staff Training Department in the Marylebone Road. But his own writing mattered most to him.

Gilbert Henry Phelps was educated at the Crypt School, Gloucester, and Fitzwilliam House, Cambridge, where he took a first in English. At the outbreak of war he had wanted to join the RAF but instead found himself seconded to the service of the British Council. It was the start of what was to be a peripatetic, part-time academic life taking in, as it ultimately did, visiting lectureships in the United States, Israel and Brazil.

Brazil formed the subject of one of his earliest non-fiction works, *The Last Horizon* (1965). He also produced nine novels in all, starting with *The Centenarians* (1958) and culminating with *The Low Roads* (1975). He combined fiction writing with works of criticism and literary history, of which *A Short History of English Literature* (1964), *The Byronic Byron* (1971) and *The New Pelican Guide to English Literature* (1981) are perhaps the best known.

In retirement in Oxfordshire he worked on *The Cambridge Guide to the Arts in Britain* (1988), as well as contributing numerous introductory notes to volumes produced by the Folio Society, which also published what he regarded as his major work, *From Myth to Modernism: A Short Guide to the World Novel* (1988). After that, he worked on his memoirs.

A perceptive and caring man with a pawky sense of humour, Phelps played a full part in his local Oxfordshire community. He was a churchwarden at Finstock for 18 years and served as a governor of the Church of England school there. He was twice married and leaves a widow, Kay, and a son and daughter of his first marriage.

Jean Cau

JEAN CAU, a political pundit and former secretary to Jean-Paul Sartre, died yesterday of cancer aged 67.

Cau was an award-winning novelist and essayist who dealt with subjects ranging from bull-fighting to 20th-century French intellectuals.

His novel *La Pitié de Dieu* (God's Pity) won the prestigious Prix Goncourt in 1961.

Cau was Sartre's personal secretary from 1947 to 1956, among the existentialist philosopher's most prolific periods and liked to refer to himself as a "disobedient son." After editing Sartre's monthly review *Les Temps Modernes*, he went on to contribute to more conservative publications such as the weekly *l'Express* and *Le Figaro Littéraire*.

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ATTACK ON THE DUKE OF WELLINGTON.

This morning, about 12, the Duke of Wellington, on his return towards Apsley-house from a visit to the Royal Mint on Tower-hill, on horseback, was recognized in Holborn by a few idlers, and was immediately assailed with groans and hisses, and a mob was soon collected. The noble Duke rode to the residence of Sir Charles Wetherell, in Stone-buildings, Lincoln's-inn, whither he was followed by a mob of at least 500 persons. He alighted, and went into the house, where he remained for a few minutes only, and on his return he was attacked by the mob with great violence, and pushed and shouldered about, the people groaning and hissing, and showing a strong disposition to proceed to further outrage. A communication was immediately sent off to Bow-street office, and in a very short time a strong body of police, under the directions of Mr. Thomas, the superintendent, was on the spot. Just at the time that the police arrived, one ruffian, after hurling a heavy stone at the Duke, which fortunately missed him, made a rush at him, as he had mounted his horse, and endeavoured to drag him off; but two or three spirited persons seized the assailant, and gave him in charge to a policeman, but he was almost instantaneously rescued ...

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—The mob appears to have profited by your hints respecting the Duke of Wellington; they tried their hand this morning at some of the scenes which usually precede the tearing a man to pieces; you only suggested to them the facility of this operation, they adopted your advice, and selected the anniversary of the battle of Waterloo as a fit day on which to make the experiment. The original credit of the design is certainly due to you; the people, with a curious felicity, choose this day, on which, 17 years ago, the Duke of Wellington was fighting the battle of Waterloo; the day, no doubt, was a suitable one on which to heap insult and outrage on him—"the better the day the better the deed." That they did not proceed further was owing to the accident of one of the forwardest of your miscreants being seized, at the moment he had unhorsed the Duke, and was about to hand him over, unarmed and defenceless, to the tender mercies of the reforming people. Really, Sir, the promptitude of your constituents, in obeying thus readily your "gentle bidding," is to be wondered at, even in these times. Allow me, however, to suggest to you, that England is not so far gone yet in crime and madness, as to approve generally of your advice to "tear the Duke of Wellington to pieces;" and permit me to add, that it is possible that your murdering paragraphs against the conqueror of Waterloo may not be relished by a great majority of your constant subscribers This consideration will, I am certain, have its due weight.

If you have the courage, insert this letter in your paper of to-morrow: if you have not, it will be sent to the evening papers.

I am, Sir, your humble servant
A REFORMER, BUT NO ASSASSIN.
June 18.

THE TIMES TODAY

SATURDAY JUNE 19 1993

NEWS

Major challenges Nadir to publish

■ John Major and Michael Heseltine challenged the fugitive businessman Asil Nadir to publish evidence which he claims would damage the Conservative party.

Mr Heseltine displayed contempt over Mr Nadir's allegations in *The Times* that he has incriminating information about ministers..... **Pages 1, 4, 5**

Irish president meets Sinn Fein chief

■ Anglo-Irish relations were under renewed strain after Mary Robinson defied a warning from John Major and the denunciation of leading Unionists and went ahead with a visit to a strongly Republican area of West Belfast. The Irish president met Gerry Adams, president of Sinn Fein .. **Page 1**

Japanese crisis

The Japanese prime minister Kiichi Miyazawa lost a vital no-confidence vote setting the stage for elections and a possible end to one-party rule..... **Pages 1, 8**

Look around you

The Dan Quayle Museum opened in Huntington, Indiana, to a fanfare of sniggers across the land, from those who feel that a centre to celebrate the achievements of former Vice President J. Danforth Quayle is a little premature..... **Page 1**

Air alert

All 948 Boeing 747s jumbo jets are to have their engine mountings strengthened to prevent the engine breaking away during flight..... **Page 1**

Mine closure

Miners at Rufford Colliery, Nottinghamshire voted by a majority of 20 to accept the closure of their pit as unions voiced fears that all 12 pits reprieved by the government in January could shut..... **Page 2**

Kidnap fears

The courier carrying Stephanie Slater's £175,000 ransom told a court how his fears for her life mounted as thick fog hampered his efforts to keep up with the delivery timetable..... **Page 7**

China condemned

In language recalling the Cold War, Timothy Wirth, head of the American delegation to the United Nations world conference on human rights, said China was "at the forefront of a handful of renegade nations"..... **Page 9**

Warlord's threat

Within six hours of being driven from his stronghold in central Mogadishu, General Muhammad Farrah Aidid appealed to other clan leaders for "1,000 men and arms" to strike back at United Nations forces..... **Page 10**

President flees

President Elchibey of Azerbaijan left Baku and effectively abandoned power after a rebellion against him had swept to the gates of the capital..... **Page 11**

Tons of runs for Australia

■ David Boon scored a Test match century in England for the first time to sustain Australia's run feast at Lord's. His delight at an unbeaten 138 contrasted with the disappointment felt by Mark Waugh, out for 99. They shared a stand of 175 as Australia made 592 for four at the close. **Pages 1, 3, 32**



Water music: Douglas Pattison, professor of naval engineering at University College, London, pipes on the two auloi which his department has reconstructed to celebrate the arrival on the South Bank of the Greek trireme, *Olympias*. Letters, page 13

Cardiff Singer of the World: Five finalists are judged by a panel including Dame Joan Sutherland (BBC2, 7.30 pm) **Weekend, page 16**

March against murder

The sheer otherness of this demi-monde to the majority of heterosexuals (and homosexuals too) cannot excuse generalisation, sensationalism and the trotting out of stereotypes. Vicious murder is an affront to society as a whole..... **Page 13**

The oxygen of disarray

The British public will be inflamed by the sight of an Irish head of state stooping to curry favour with Mr Adams and may wonder about the Anglo-Irish Agreement ..... **Page 13**

Simon Jenkins

Just as America's Irish policy has little to do with Ireland, so America's elephant policy has little to do with elephants. Until 1988, leading conservationists backed the "sustainable utilisation" of African wildlife: treating animals as part of the local economy..... **Page 12**

Alexander Chancellor

Until the end of last month, the American two-star Air Force General Harold N. Campbell was deputy chief of staff for plans and programs at the Air Force Materiel Command. Following a speech at a military banquet, his career is now effectively at an end..... **Page 12**

Should a disabled cricketer be allowed to employ a runner, as Lord Byron did?..... **Page 13**

Mr Clinton's talk of government "investment" notwithstanding, he has become the anti-investment president where investment really counts — in the private sector.
— The Washington Times

City revolt: The Stock Exchange is facing opposition to its plans to require almost all investors dealing in shares in British Telecom ahead of the £5 billion BT3 issue on July 16 to notify it in writing on the day of trading..... **Page 17**

Name-calling: Among the Lloyd's names, one stands out, reviled on all sides even by his former friends and neighbours: Tony Gooda, agent for the disastrous Gooda Walker syndicates..... **Page 17**

Homes caution: Mortgage lending by building societies fell last month, reflecting a subdued housing market and banks' increasing market share..... **Page 18**

Markets: Sterling eased against the dollar, closing below $1.50, but was firmer against the German mark, while shares were little changed. The pound ended at $1.4970, down .62 cents, and at DM2.5142, up .58 pfennigs. The FT-SE 100 closed at 2,879.4, up 3.7..... **Page 20**

Tennis: Andrew Longmore assesses Wimbledon champion Andre Agassi: "He has few friends on the circuit and rarely spends any time gossiping in the locker-room. In Halle last week, he could not find anyone willing to practise with him"..... **Page 30**

Rugby Union: The British Isles, a happy touring party so far in New Zealand, have been incensed by the insensitive handling by the four home rugby unions of the Wade Dooley affair, which has become a *cause célèbre*..... **Page 30**

Football: Paul Merson of Arsenal will partner Liverpool's John Barnes up front when England play West Germany tonight at Detroit's Silverdome in the last of their US Cup games..... **Pages 28, 32**

Golf: Nick Faldo's quest for the US Open title ran into trouble at the sixth hole when he shot a triple-bogey seven after slicing a wild shot which hit a spectator. **Page 27**

Wimbledon: How everyone can be a winner in SW19, as the residents gear up for some private enterprise off court..... **Page 1**

At your service: Ruth Gledhill joins a young grunge crowd in Lancaster for a charismatic evangelical service..... **Page 2**

Food and drink: Fresh, homely ingredients for a no-fuss meal al fresco, and red wines to lay down in part eight of Jane MacQuitty's *guide to building your own wine cellar*..... **Pages 4, 5**

Holidays: Canal cruising the wet way, Tuscany the footsore way, and Australia's Barrier reef the underwater way..... **Pages 6, 7**

Expeditions: Camping it up with teenagers doing their bronze Duke of Edinburgh's Award..... **Page 10**

Property: Majorca springs some up-market surprises for house-hunters in our first look at Buyer's Spain..... **Page 12**

Positive verdict: Forget *Look Back in Anger*, says Benedict Nightingale. *Inadmissable Evidence* is John Osborne's true masterpiece: "a journey into a head in terminal disarray". And the new production at the National Theatre is a classic..... **Weekend, page 14**

Screen to stage: Catherine Malfitano is the fiery opera singer who sprang to fame last year, when she played opposite Placido Domingo in the "real-time" *Tosca* televised from Rome. Now she sings the same role for the first time at Covent Garden **Weekend, page 14**

Not only the piano concerto: The 150th anniversary of Grieg's birth has been celebrated at the Barbican by performances of his less famous music..... **Weekend, page 14**

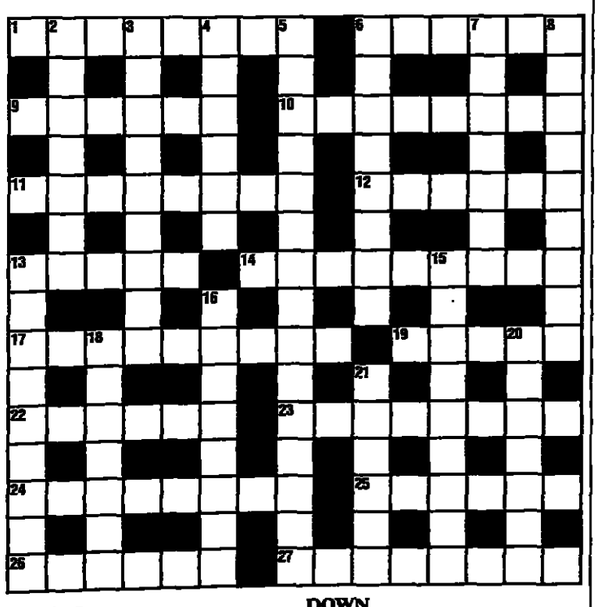
Keyboard virtuoso: The Russian pianist Nikolai Demidenko has stormed through a six-concert Wigmore Hall series tracing piano music..... **Weekend, page 14**

THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 19,261

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ACROSS

1 You are talking about a doctor, a woman affording protection (8).
6 Young boy embraces female child (6).
9 At home, cut grass (6).
10 High and mighty, highest of the high (8).
11 Imaginative skill provided diamond trick (8).
12 A fair scholar, the emperor — so they say (6).
13 Music for sportsmen (5).
14 Airs arranged by Georges Auric, primarily in one time (9).
17 One pressed to learn lines (9).
19 Police hold up youth armed with a bow (5).
22 Bizarre American university (6).
23 Avoid giving hospitality to English relative (8).
24 Mishap to upset mature student (8).
25 Girl and soldier love the slow movement (6).
26 A problem with ship taken in tow (6).
27 Restrained chap concealing triumphant expression (8).

DOWN

2 Soft drink — Clementine's father, for instance, takes a litre (7).
3 Amplitude vital for bridegroom, in essence (9).
4 One redcap wears a hat, that's clear (6).
5 For a poet, that had to be rewritten immediately (2,3,4,2,1,3).
6 It's commonplace to catch yob misbehaving, right? (8).
7 To practise abstention is a burden (7).
8 Bond — fiery, exciting lady's man (3-6).
13 Support the clergy behind the scenes (9).
15 Duty a mum is first to indicate (9).
16 Groom takes time training a horse (8).
18 Justice seems in order (7).
20 Suppose I look for minerals — there's silver hidden there (7).
21 Confront wild animal without a trace of reluctance (6).

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Solution to Puzzle No 19,255

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Patchy rain over northern Scotland will turn showery as it spreads through Scotland, Northern Ireland and into northern England. Some of the showers could be heavy with thunder. Drier and brighter later. Much of Wales, northwest and central England will be fine but breezy with sunny periods and showers. Cloud over southern England and Wales with rain or drizzle. Outlook: mostly fine and bright; cloudier in extreme north and south.

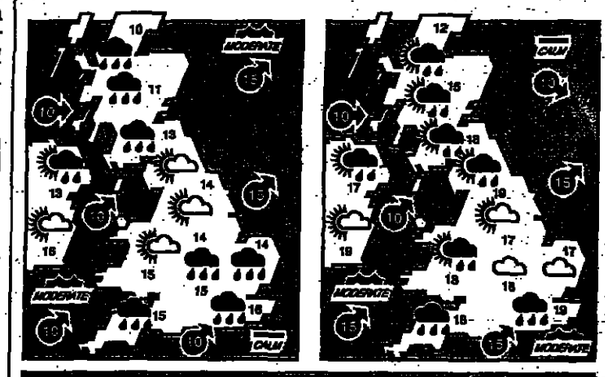
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Ajaccio	25	77	s	Malaga	27	81	s
Alex'dria	28	79	f	Malta	28	82	s
Algiers	28	82	s	Melb'rne	16	61	f
Amst'dm	15	59	r	Mexico C*	22	72	f
Athens	29	84	f	Miami*	31	88	f
Bahrain	36	97	s	Milan	26	79	s
Bangkok	34	93	f	Montreal*	22	72	f
Barbade*	29	84	f	Moscow	19	66	c
Barcelna	23	73	s	Munich	19	66	s
Belgrade	20	68	f	Nairobi	23	73	f
Berlin	16	61	f	Naples	28	82	f
Bermuda*	24	75	c	N Delhi	30	86	f
Biarritz	27	81	s	N York*	28	82	s
Brussels	20	68	c	Nice	25	77	c
Budapst	22	72	f	Oslo	17	63	f
B Aires*	13	55	s	Paris	23	73	s
Cairo	31	88	f	Peking	34	93	s
Cape Tn	14	57	c	Perth (aus)	16	61	c
Chicago*	31	88	s	Prague	18	64	s
Ch'church	8	46	f	Reykjavik	9	48	c
Cologne	20	68	f	Rhodes	25	77	f
C'phagn	14	57	r	Rio de J	25	77	s
Corfu	24	75	s	Riyadh	42	108	s
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Frankfurt	23	73	f	S F'risco*	31	88	s
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Luxor	36	97	s	Warsaw	17	63	c
Madrid	30	86	f	Wash'ton*	30	86	s
Majorca	27	81	s	Wel'ton	13	55	f
				Zurich	22	72	s

* denotes figures are latest available

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Aberdeen	0.2	1.08	17	63	rain
Anglesey	5.0	0.02	15	59	bright
Ballymore	2.5	0.06	18	64	cloudy
Belfast	1.1	0.01	17	63	shower
Birmingham	5.5	-	20	68	bright
Bognor Regis	10.8	0.02	19	66	sunny
Bristol	8.7	-	18	64	sunny
Buxton	8.8	-	16	61	sunny
Cardiff	8.8	-	17	63	bright
Cromer	5.9	-	20	68	shower
Eastbourne	12.0	0.02	17	63	sunny
Edinburgh	6.1	-	19	66	bright
Eskdalemuir	1.9	0.09	14	57	shower
Falmouth	7.0	-	18	64	bright
Glasgow	3.2	0.02	17	63	shower
Guernsey	9.6	-	18	64	sunny
Hunstanton	5.7	-	20	68	sunny
Isle of Man	1.9	-	15	59	cloudy
Jersey	8.1	-	19	66	sunny
Kinloss	0.7	0.60	15	59	rain
Leeds	4.6	0.02	19	66	sunny
Lerwick	5.3	-	10	50	bright
Littlehampton	10.0	-	18	64	sunny
Liverpool	7.1	-	17	63	bright
London	8.8	-	21	70	bright
Lowestoft	4.1	0.02	22	72	bright
Manchester	6.4	0.03	18	64	bright
Margate	6.2	-	20	68	bright
Morecambe	1.9	-	16	61	dull
Newcastle	3.7	-	14	57	bright
Newquay	8.4	-	18	64	sunny
Nottingham	8.7	0.01	19	66	bright
Poole	8.5	-	21	70	sunny
Salcombe	9.1	-	17	63	sunny
Sandown	11.3	0.01	18	64	sunny
Saunton Snd	5.5	0.01	17	63	sunny
Scarborough	2.9	-	18	64	cloudy
Scilly Isles	5.9	-	17	63	bright
Shanklin	11.2	0.02	17	63	sunny
Southsea	10.7	0.01	18	64	sunny
Stornoway	0.1	0.32	15	59	rain
Teignmouth	12.0	-	20	68	sunny
Tenby	6.4	0.01	17	63	bright
Tiree	2.8	0.11	15	59	drizzle
Torquay	9.5	-	19	66	sunny
Weymouth	11.3	-	17	63	sunny
Wick	0.1	0.20	9	48	rain

These are Thursday's figures



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Edinburgh 10.32 pm to 3.56 am
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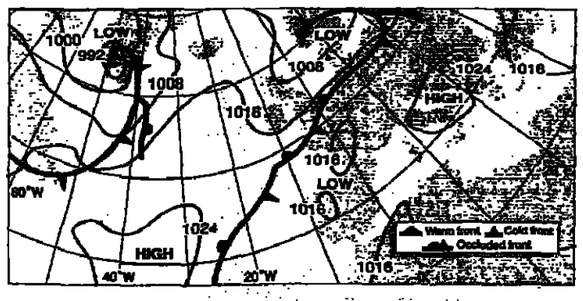
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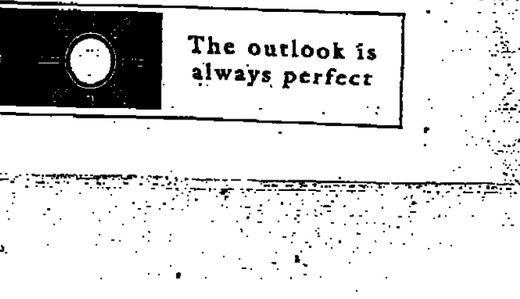
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Finland Mrk	9.06	8.26
France Fr	8.92	8.22
Germany Dm	2.65	2.45
Greece Dr	354.00	329.00
Hong Kong $	12.23	11.23
Ireland Pt	1.08	1.00
Italy Lira	2385.00	2220.00
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Norway Kr	11.19	10.39
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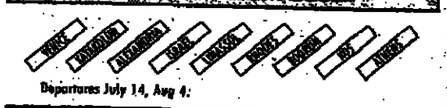
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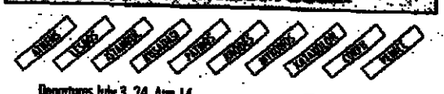
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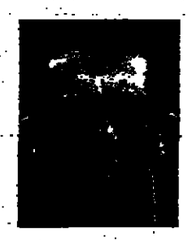
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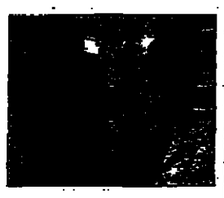
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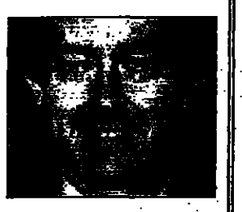
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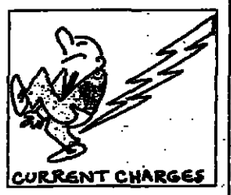
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Exchange Index ..... 79.9 (same)
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FT-SE 100 ..... 2879.4 (+3.7)
Dow Jones ..... 3515.53 (-6.36)*
Nikkei Avg .. 19804.54 (-120.97)

INTEREST RATES

London Bank Base 6%
3-month Interbank..... 5⅞-5⅝%
US Federal Funds..... 2¾%*
3-month Treas Bills. 3.06-3.05%*
Long Bond 6.82%*

CURRENCIES

New York:	London:
£/$ 1.4960*	£/$ 1.4970
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£/SDR .. 1.0753	£/ECU .. 1.2818

London Forex market close

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London Fixing ($):
AM 370.65 ..... PM 370.90
Close 371.60-372.00
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Comex 371.95-372.45*

RETAIL PRICES

RPI ..... 140.8 April (1.3%)
* Denotes midday trading price

BT dealing rule angers institutions

By Martin Waller
Deputy City Editor

■ **Dealers are rebelling over plans by the Stock Exchange to require large dealings in BT shares, prior to the BT3 sale, to be notified in writing on the day of trading**

THE Stock Exchange is facing a City revolt over its plans to require almost all investors dealing in shares in BT ahead of the £5 billion BT3 issue on July 16 to notify it in writing on the day of trading.

The exchange has taken this unprecedented step because of fears that institutions keen to take the shares on offer will attempt to force down the price at which they are offered to the market by dumping existing BT shares in the market.

A similar pattern of selling, despite warnings from brokers handling the issue that it would rebound on the institutions involved, sent the price of Wellcome shares dangerously low in the run-up to last summer's sale of stock in the pharmaceuticals group, and the exchange is clearly keen to avoid a repetition.

But the reaction from the City was that the latest ruling either could not or would not be followed. Institutions were privately furious that intermarket deals that would normally remain private would have to be revealed to the authorities. Others pointed out that their rules of association, under which some individual trusts have to be administered independently of the parent, made it impossible to comply with the ruling.

The Stock Exchange has acted after pressure from the brokers to the BT3 sale, led by Warburg Securities, who initially wanted all deals in BT shares ahead of the sale to be done for cash to ensure the company's share register was as up to date as possible.

The exchange has pulled back from this draconian action but says an orderly market must be maintained in BT shares over the next month. To help any necessary investigations, member firms must give its market supervision department full details of all individual deals of 100,000 or more BT shares, which would cover most transactions in the market, from next Monday.

Notification must be in writing and give the time of the trade, its size, price and the customer's identity. "The information will be treated in the strictest of confidence," the exchange said.

"This is purely an orderly market issue," a spokeswoman expanded. "There is a very, very good chance that we wouldn't have to pass the information to any other regulator apart from us."

The Treasury, the owner of the BT shares to be sold, could require the information for itself, but only in its function as a market regulator. The exchange insists that a system of Chinese walls will prevent the data making its way to the brokers, who are formally employed by the Treasury.

The brokers have indicated that any activity that has an adverse effect on the offer, which could include heavy selling of BT shares to drive the price down, will serve to reduce the eventual allocation the institutions involved receive under the issue.

Market sources were sceptical that the information garnered by the exchange would not make its way back to Warburgs and Cazenove, BT's two brokers and the originator of the rejected cash-only plan. Alternatively, the market believes that the exchange, having turned down this suggestion, is keen to be seen to act in some way and has come up with a watered-down proposal.

The exchange hinted strongly that a similar arrangement might be used in any future large share sales, although the decision will be taken case by case.

Michael Taylor, head of UK equities at Royal Insurance Asset Management, said: "The heavy handed tone of this statement could prove to be detrimental to the overall health of the issue. There is a danger of overreacting and spoiling the chances of a successful institutional take-up."

There is a further difficulty in that it is hard to say what sanction might be imposed on firms who are detected selling BT shares ahead of the issue. Market manipluation is illegal under the Financial Services Act, but the exchange itself concedes the offence is a hard one to define. It could be difficult in law to distinguish between market abuse and normal trading in BT shares.

In addition, the exchange ruling does not cover trading in derivatives or in BT's ADRs quoted on Wall Street. Theoretically, therefore, American securities houses will be able to deal in Britain's biggest company on a more favourable basis than British brokers.

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Hard tack: the Enterprise Oil crew came seventh despite problems with the catering

Bowring sailors pass City challenge

By Barry Pickthall
Yachting Correspondent

BOISTEROUS conditions around the Isle of Wight led to a record run for a crew from C T Bowring & Co, the winners yesterday of the opening round of the T&N Industry Sailing Challenge. Alistair Laurie-Walker, the skipper, and his team of insurance brokers led from the start in the 120-mile double circumnavigation of the island and fought off a late challenge from a team of property consultants from Richard Ellis.

In third place was Alisdair Kirpatrick's crew from the National Grid, 18 seconds ahead of Inchape, the business services group, after 16 hours sailing.

Unlike last year when the Bowring team yacht hit a shark and another crew ran on to the rocks, casualties yesterday were limited to twisted sails, lost ropes and a few cases of *mal de mer*. Mr Laurie-Walker's winning yacht shed a halyard during the second round and the National Grid crew got themselves in knots when the spinnaker sheet wrapped itself around the propellor.

A team from Mentor Graphics Europe, led by Nigel Davidson, were one of four crews to throw in the towel after equipment failure. "The cooker packed up, so we motored into Lymington for a curry," Mr Davidson said. Another to experience food problems was a team from Enterprise Oil. After battling to finish seventh, Tim Trafford, the skipper, complained that excessive company catering had led to six litres of beouf bourgignon being spread through the yacht.

The CT Bowring and Richard Ellis crews go through to the grand final in July when they will meet eight other crews will be selected from further rounds of the challenge this weekend.

Rawlins payout tops £500,000

By George Sivell, City Editor

PETER Rawlins, the former chief executive of the London Stock Exchange who left over the £75 million Taurus debacle, was paid more than £500,000 — including compensation of £174,500 and a Renault Espace valued at £9,500 — according to the exchange's annual report published yesterday.

The compensation for loss of office on termination of employment came on top of a rise in total pay from £272,584 to £348,530 for the year to end March. Mr Rawlins was on a one-year contract but Sir Andrew Hugh Smith, the exchange's chairman, said yesterday that the exchange had "a duty to mitigate the damages, to allow for the possibility of him achieving new employment".

Mr Rawlins' final full-year pay packet was made up of £177,628 salary, £75,000 of bonus on performance outside the Taurus project, £18,503 benefits in kind, £34,649 of personal pension arrangements for the year and £42,750 of pension arrangements referable to past service. Additional company pension arrangements amounted to £4,500.



Rawlins: bonus

Peter Hogarth received £125,000 compensation for loss of office. He went on May 31 last year as head of the trading markets division after information technology was contracted out to Andersen Consulting.

The exchange has drawn up a shortlist of replacements for Mr Rawlins, some of whom Sir Andrew, who is due to go in November next year, has already interviewed.

Taurus's collapse cost the exchange £38 million in the past year and left a £12 million loss before tax, against a £1.5 million surplus the previous year. The accounts also show a substantial fall in the value of the Stock Exchange Tower. Freehold properties, of which the tower forms the vast bulk, had £17.6 million wiped off their value and now stand at £118.5 million.

The exchange expects to publish its new rules, or yellow book in September.

Sir Andrew also said yesterday that in the wake of the Bishopsgate and St Mary Axe bombs, "restricting the traffic flow in the City does make a lot of sense".

"The City is home to a large number of very important businesses. We can't afford for the City to be seriously damaged. One solution would be to try to dissuade through traffic," he said.

Gooda, a name for all insults

By Sarah Bagnall
Insurance Correspondent

AMONG Lloyd's names, one stands out, reviled on all sides, even by former friends and neighbours. Tony Gooda, agent for the Gooda Walker syndicates, is not mentioned these days in polite company. "It's a disgusting story," says Richard Godden talking about the events that led to his crippling losses of more than £600,000.

Like so many other names, Mr Godden directs his anger at Mr Gooda, whom he blames for placing him on the Gooda Walker syndicates. Names on the seven Gooda Walker syndicates are among the market's hardest hit, with losses of more than £1 billion, one sixth of the £6 billion-plus losses the market has incurred in the last five years.

On Tuesday, Lloyd's is expected to unveil record losses of up to £2.8 billion, relating to the 1990 underwriting year.

Mr Gooda, the former chairman of Gooda & Partners, the Lloyd's agency that advised more than 250 names, was once a popular figure in his local community in Coneyhurst, West Sussex. Now, he cannot go to the supermarket without being subjected to a torrent of verbal abuse from former friends who attack him for "hoodwinking" them. And his regular trips to the local golf club have been reduced to a mere trickle.

Friendships built up over 30 years have ended and his relationships with his brother and sister, who has suffered massive losses, are said by neighbours to be "severely strained".

"Most of us can't bear to see him let alone talk to him," said one name, who has been ruined by his losses. "I asked to be put on low-risk syndicates and wasn't. I wasn't told that my losses were deteriorating and to make matters worse I was advised to increase my investments, which compounded my problems."

"He never told us the syndicates were high risk," said Fernanda Herford, a name since 1977. "I had to pay out £220,000 in 1989, at which point I was told by Mr Gooda that the worst was over. I was then hit by a bill for £500,000 in 1990," she added.

Mr Gooda, who refused to comment, is also faced with losses of up to £1 million, as he invested in the same syndicates as his names. He has applied to the insurance market's hardship committee to help stave off possible bankruptcy, a move one name said "is rubbing salt in the wounds". Another name questioned Mr Gooda's hospitality to the Australian cricket team at his private cricket pitch in the grounds of his home. "Its a bit bloody blatant when he has bankrupted many of his friends," she said.

Many of Mr Gooda's names live in Essex, the up and coming area of the late 1980s that offered rich pickings for Lloyd's agents. Roy Hart, a small businessman in his mid-40s joined Lloyd's through Mr Gooda in 1986. "I don't mind losing," said Mr Hart, whose losses are up to £1 million, "but I hate being had and that is what has happened." Mr Hart's situation is made worse by the fact that he only received one cheque from Lloyd's for £13,500 before things turned sour and he was hit with demands running into hundreds of millions of pounds.

☐ The US Circuit Court of Appeals has ruled that Lloyd's insurance companies did not have to pay pollution claims of more than $1 billion.

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Building society mortgage lending falls during May

By Lindsay Cook
Money Editor

■ Banks continue to make inroads into a mortgage market that shows little sign of determined revival but savings are flowing in well to building societies

MORTGAGE lending by building societies fell last month on all counts. Gross lending, net advances and net new commitments were all down on April. Mortgage money promised during the month fell most substantially from £3.2 billion to £2.8 billion, according to the Building Societies Association (BSA).

However, commitments outstanding were at their highest level since July last year at £6.2 billion. This suggests that property sales are taking their time. In a buoyant market buyers try to rush through their purchases quickly to avoid being gazumped. In a flat market buyers often try to negotiate lower prices after surveys give cautious values. They know that if they lose a property there are plenty of others.

Banks, which have been making inroads into the mortgage market lent £785 million in May, an increase of £19 million on April. Building societies made net advances of £896 million down from £921 million. Gross lending by the societies had fallen to £2.6 billion from £2.7 billion.

While building society net advances were down £350 million on May last year the banks figure was a 50 per cent improvement indicating that banks are taking a larger share of a static market.

Adrian Coles, director-general designate of the BSA, said: "New commitments were 12 per cent lower than in April, suggesting that lending activity will remain close to current levels over the short-term. Reports of house prices stabilising have undoubtedly boosted buyer confidence. The evidence overall suggests that the housing market recovery is progressing slowly."

Savings are flowing in well to societies. They took in net retail funds of £700 million in May following £1.1 billion in April. This brings the total in the first five months of the year to £2.5 billion. In the whole of 1992, societies took in £295 million. However, next month's BT share sale is likely to distort savings figures for the next two months. In July, withdrawals will be made to pay for the first instalments. The following month, cheques will be returned for rejected or scaled-down applications.

☐ Money supply data for May reinforced the market view that the economy is staging a slow recovery which should be sufficient to allow Kenneth Clarke, the Chancellor, to leave base rates unchanged (Colin Narbrough writes).

With the money market appearing to rule out any near-term cut in interest rates, the pound continued to gain ground against the mark, climbing back above DM2.51.

Bank of England data showed lending under M4, the broad money measure, rose £1.9 billion, or £1 billion less than the April rise. But the Treasury hailed the M4 data as another pointer to recovery. "The improvement in broad money growth over recent months is consistent with evidence of a resumption of growth across the economy," a spokesman said. In the year to May, M4 grew at a seasonally-adjusted 3.9 per cent, up from 3.5 per cent in April.

The Bank confirmed a 1.1 per cent fall in M0, the narrow money measure, in May, which earlier raised doubts about the strength of consumer demand. Annual growth in M0 slowed to a seasonally adjusted 3.3 per cent in May from 4.8 per cent May.



Hopeful of funding: Swraj Paul says institutions have already appraised the project

Caparo seeks funds in India

From Reuter in New Delhi

CAPARO, the British engineering group, is arranging funds from Indian financial institutions to set up India's biggest steel plant, with an investment of 120 billion rupees (£2.58 billion).

Swraj Paul, group chairman, said yesterday: "We are looking for 40 billion rupees from financial institutions so that we can begin the first phase of the plant. We are hopeful of getting the money soon because the financial institutions have already appraised the project."

Kalinga Steels, a joint venture between the Orissa state government and Caparo, will have an annual capacity of three million tonnes, he added.

Work on the first stage, which will cost 64 billion rupees, will begin by December and will be completed in 1997, when demand for steel should pick up, Mr Paul said. "It will be the fulfilment of a mission," he said. The plant will have 2,000 employees. Caparo will contribute 2.7 billion rupees and the Orissa government 1.5 billion rupees. Mr Paul said the company would raise about 9.6 billion rupees later through a public issue.

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

NI Electricity allocation of shares scaled back

NORTHERN Ireland Electricity's public offering of shares has been highly successful and was 3.9 times subscribed. The clawback arrangement has been automatically triggered, merchant banker NM Rothschild & Sons said. The 300 million shares attracted 490,000 applications. All registered customers have been allocated shares, and 98 per cent of registered non-customers have also been been given an allocation.

A total 107 million shares, equivalent to two-thirds of the offer, have been allocated to the general public, the highest percentage allocated to the public in any electricity privatisation. Almost 52 million shares have been allocated to institutions, and 5.4 million shares have been retained by the government. Dealings are expected to start on June 21. Rothschild said more than 90 per cent of registered customers who applied did so on a share shop form, or through a stockbroker of other financial intermediary.

Booth dives into red

BOOTH Industries, the structural steelwork-to-engineering group, has plunged into losses and passed the final dividend, partly due to delayed overseas contracts. In the year to end-March, Booth incurred pre-tax losses of £575,578 against a profit of £677,281 in the previous year. Turnover plummeted from £30.8 million to £18.9 million. The total dividend for the year is 0.7p, courtesy of the interim payout. Losses of 11.53p a share compare with earnings of 10.58p a share last time.

NIC cuts dividend

NORTHERN Investors Company is cutting its final dividend to 3.5p (5p), giving a reduced total of 5.5p (8.5p), as the venture capital group reported a 36.3 per cent slide in pre-tax revenue to £284,000 in the year to end-March. The net asset value at the group, which invests in unquoted companies mainly in the north of England, climbed 2.1 per cent to 295.6p per share at the end of March, up slightly from 289.4p a year earlier. Earnings dropped to 5.6p (9.3p) a share.

Total advances 10%

IMPROVED margins helped Total Systems, the USM-quoted computer products and services group, lift pre-tax profits by 10 per cent to £832,906 in the year to end-March. Turnover grew 2.6 per cent to £2.87 million. Cash balances were up 53.4 per cent to £1.86 million. Earnings rose to 6.08p (5.11p) a share. The final dividend is maintained at 1.5p, giving a total of 3p (2.25p) for the year. The shares were unchanged at 80p.

Pathfinder from Celsis

CELSIS International yesterday published the pathfinder prospectus for its placing and intermediaries offer, expected to raise between £15 million and £20 million. It will give the group a stock market value of between £50 million and £60 million when dealings begin on July 6. Celsis, which makes systems for measuring microbial contamination, will use some of the funds to develop its digital system, which reduces the time required for microbial tests.

Trust asset value leaps

THE Bankers Investment Trust, the flagship investment trust of Touche Remnant, the accountant, has announced a near-15 per cent rise in its net asset value per share to 153.5p in the half-year to end-April. In the same period, earnings have grown by 9.9 per cent to 1.88p (1.71p) a share. The company, whose net revenue before tax increased to £3.9 million from £3.5 million, says earnings will comfortably outstrip the minimum forecast total dividend of 3.6p.

Electronic Data steady

IMPROVED margins helped Electronic Data Processing, the computer software and services group, restrict a dip in pre-tax profits to £2.34 million in the six months to end-March, from £2.41 million in the previous period. Turnover was £7.35 million (£7.47 million). Michael Heller, chairman, pictured right, said the results were very satisfactory in view of the state of the economy. Earnings were 18.07p (18.83p) a share. The interim dividend is maintained at 2p.



Trade talks restart in Geneva

By Colin Narbrough
World Trade Correspondent

THE leading industrial nations have restarted talks aimed at opening up government contracts for a range of goods and services to international competition, creating a market worth $1,000 billion.

The resumption of talks at the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade headquarters, Geneva, after more than half a year of deadlock, indicates that America and the European Community are prepared to seek a multilateral deal, separate from the Uruguay Round, in the sensitive procurement area.

Washington and Brussels made a bi-lateral breakthrough last month, when they agreed to open up their markets in power generating plant. The deal was partial, and differences over telecommunications remain an irritation, especially after Bonn's separate deal with Washington, not to impose tit-for-tat sanctions.

The aim of the talks, between America, the EC and Far East, is to extend a Gatt accord to include procurement of services, utilities, and contracts awarded by local and regional governments.

ICI head seeks recovery spur

By Philip Bassett, Industrial Editor

EMERGENCY measures are needed to stimulate European economic recovery, Sir Denys Henderson, ICI chairman, said yesterday as the European chemicals industry forecast a fall in output this year.

Sir Denys urged European politicians to listen to industry before it was too late. Speaking at a conference in London of Cefic, the European chemical industry council, he said the highest priority should now be given to economic recovery across Europe, with priority given to the single market, completing the Gatt negotiations and rejecting the proposed carbon energy tax.

He told the conference: "Too much time has been wasted in sterile debate over the Maastricht treaty, and although there are aspects of it which should surely be questioned in the light of the prevailing economic climate today, it represents a vital step forward towards a European harmony which is desperately needed to revive confidence."

In its latest forecast, Cefic said that chemical industry output is set to fall by at least 0.5 per cent in 1993, compared with expected growth in the US of almost 5 per cent.

Capital investment and employment in the industry are expected to be cut further this year, as stocks are above normal and order books poor. Both factors are increasing restructuring initiatives and cost-saving measures.

Jacques Puechal, Cefic president, said the challenge was to ensure the industry's competitiveness in order to hold its rank in the world chemical industry and as a major industrial sector in Europe.

He said the industry "has to develop new forms of co-operation", in terms of new deals, restructuring, joint ventures and business swaps, to meet the changed circumstances of the 1990s.

Europe had been unable to achieve political consensus since the start of the 1990s and constructive co-operation between states had evaporated, Sir Denys said. "That has never been more evident than in the failure of the Gatt negotiations which are so crucial to recovery and better long-term prospects for growth in world trade."

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BUSINESS PROFILE: **Sir Philip Harris**

King of the carpet salesmen bounces back

Dealings in Carpetright begin next week. **Martin Waller** looks at the man behind the venture

Sir Philip Harris may not be the first of the 1980s retail kings to creep back into corporate life. Sir Terence Conran has Quaglino's; Sophie Mirman, George Davies and even Gerald Ratner, the most recent to crash to earth, have their own limited business ventures. But Sir Phil is the first to apply for a stock market listing for his new vehicle, and the shares start dealing on Wednesday, almost 15 years after his first chain of carpet stores went public.

If the return of the carpet king can be judged as a measure of the length of investors' memories, then the amnesia is clearly widespread. Not all those who were formerly investors in Harris Queensway look back with fondness to their investment; yet Carpetright looks assured of a premium when dealings start. While some City fund managers were sceptical to the point of eschewing the issue, the public who still remember Sir Phil with affection were keen. Although formal allocations will not be announced until Tuesday, it is clear that the shares set aside for the retail investor could have been sold three to four times over.

> With the aplomb of a magician, he wipes a square of carpet clean, quoting the price in square feet. His fingers itch to take the order

Harris Queensway's fall from grace came after the 1987 stock market crash and stemmed from over-expansion, both in terms of stores bought at the cost of high debt and into areas in which Sir Phil could claim little expertise, such as electrical retailing and furniture. Typically for the time, the financial and stock controls were outstripped by the management's keenness for growth. An unprecedented downturn in consumer spending sent the business into receivership, but not before Sir Phil had made a graceful exit, clutching £70 million in return for his personal stake.

At this late stage in the run-up to the flotation, the explanations are well-honed and practised. Sir Phil had made his own attempt to buy Harris Queensway back with a management buyout, but had been outbid by a consortium led by Sir James Gulliver.

Even now, he talks in terms of having had the business bought from under him, of having lost out in a corporate battle. "I was taken over — I had no option," he counters. If so, it was the opposite of a pyrrhic victory; a defeat that has the victors counting the bitter cost of success.

He claims that had he been allowed to stay at the helm, the business would have survived, along with its 10,000 workforce, of whom perhaps 500 are still employed as part of Carpetland, the successor company, which bought the rump of the carpets business from the Lowndes Queensway receivers. "We wouldn't have gone bankrupt, and those people would still have jobs," he says. "A lot of them had put in many, many years of service." Carpetright managed to re-employ a few, and they comprise more than half its 800 employees. Sir Phil says the 9,000 who were left out remain a continuing regret: "It isn't all about money in this world."

This time, all will be different, he vows. There will be no debt and no headlong expansion from the current chain of 116 stores. About 25 more will be opened a year, all to be financed out of depreciation.

Carpetright has about 6 per cent of the market, against 12 per cent held by the two other chains, 4 per cent by Carpetland and the rest by Allied-Maples, the latter also selling furniture. Much of the market, therefore, is in the hands of small independents or the big department stores and other non-specialist retailers and offers room for expansion.

On his exit from Harris Queensway in summer 1988, ten years after its stock market flotation, Sir Phil spent two months doing nothing. He sailed his yacht, now sold, he went to the Olympics, and, on November 18, he opened a carpet store. It was in Canning Town, an unimposing part of east London.

His low-key approach to the latest business and refusal to over-expand begs the question why the float is coming now, at hardly an auspicious time for consumer-related businesses and before the economy has definitely turned the corner of recession. "Some time the economy and the housing market is going to pick up," he says. "I think it's exciting that we're prepared to give the people who have done the work a chance to make money," he adds, referring to the allocation to employees under the flotation and generous share options that will see half the staff, those with two years' or more experience, with a stake in the business.

Neither explanations provide the whole story. The company is raising £8.9 million, and Sir Phil, who will retain 21 per cent, less than £2 million. The assumption must be that some of the founding shareholders, which include MFI Furniture Group and two city venture capital outfits, are keen to realise a profit — MFI is selling its entire holding.

It is when Sir Phil reverts to the role of carpet salesman that he finally comes into his own. Indeed, some say his refusal to raise his eyes from the shop floor and delegate some of the day-to-day running in exchange for a more strategic role — he still enjoys working behind the counter on Saturday afternoons — contributed to the corner Harris Queensway carpeted itself into.

A square of bright red carpet is produced and liberally smeared with coffee and bleach. It is clear the ritual has been performed many times in front of institutional shareholders, brokers and journalists, even if the carpet bears no reminders of these past encounters.

With the aplomb of a stage magician, Sir Phil wipes the square clean, quoting the price in square feet for this miracle. His fingers clearly itch to take the order. It is, after all, how he started, at age 13 at a stall in Peckham market.

His education was forestalled by the death of his father, and he went to work in the family carpet stores. It must be seen as a blessing that he found himself doing a job that so absorbed him, but the subsequent success of the business had little to do with luck and more with his head for figures and appetite for hard work.

Tempering the long hours were a love of show-jumping, bringing with it three "very, very good horses," as he describes them, that made it to several Olympics, and a growing involvement in medical charities. This was sharpened in 1985 when his wife Pauline almost died in a riding accident. He was chairman of the trust controlling Guy's and Lewisham Hospitals for two years and has worked for charities aiding hospices and the dyslexic — both he and two sons have the condition.

More notably, he has given away about £30 million — he is agreeably vague on the exact amount — to charity. The charitable trust through which this is managed will be another beneficiary of the Carpetright float, he says — to the extent that it needs the money and he does not.

He is a transparently nice man, a view confirmed by almost anyone who has had even the most limited of dealings with him, but no-one in business rises to his level without making a few enemies or raising a few eyebrows.

There is the Debenhams takeover by Burton at the height of the 1980s stores boom. Sir Phil apparently helped Sir Ralph Halpern clinch the deal, for commercial reasons, he now says, but the matter became the subject of a trade department enquiry. No action was taken.

Before that, there was the matter of the British Telecom privatisation. As an underwriter, Sir Philip was enabled to make an instant profit on substantial share dealings, well in excess of the profits available to the man in the street. Again, there was an investigation; again, no action was taken.

Some with long memories remember that behind his charm at City presentations there was a degree of truculence if he was pushed too far on details, not an uncommon reaction from entrepreneurs at the time, well ahead of some corporate collapses that persuaded the City that details were sometimes important.

This time, fine matters of detail will count for more in the City, as will any indication that Sir Phil is once more edging towards the exit. If genius is indeed the infinite capacity for taking pains, then he has proven a genius at selling carpets. His brand of retailing is about being the most competitive on the high street on sourcing and pricing, and then ensuring the customer gets just what he or she wants at the least cost to the seller.

He retains both his suppliers from those days and his retail skills, but running a quoted company requires more, as those private investors who have sent off their savings in the hope that Sir Phil can repeat the magic should appreciate.



From Peckham market to the stock market: Sir Philip Harris still enjoys working behind the counter on a Saturday afternoon

Airbus calls for transparency of US government subsidies

The dispute over subsidies for US and EC aircraft makers rumbles on, writes **Sean MacCarthaigh**

The head of Airbus, the European airplane manufacturing consortium, yesterday insisted that he still suspects American plane-makers of flouting the current industry agreement on government subsidy levels, and issued a veiled threat that the deal could be scrapped unless US companies became "more transparent".

Jean Pierson, managing director of the company, said in an interview with *The Times* that while he would not ask the US to reorganise its aerospace industry, he felt that thousands of research contracts were being signed each year without the knowledge of the European side.

"To remove our suspicion, it is up to the United States to give the necessary information. They gave us nothing — nothing — in the last meeting in February," he said.

However, Dick Kenny, a Boeing executive, insisted that Boeing had always stayed within the accord. "If Mr Pierson thinks we're not, he has been given the wrong information. And for him to complain about transparency! Well, he should come out of his glass house before he throws stones," he retorted.

The dispute centres on a bilateral, EC-US agreement that US government subsidies, principally Boeing and McDonnell-Douglas, would be kept to within 3-4 per cent of their turnover. M Pierson claims that while initial development capital to Airbus is given directly to a certain project, Nasa contracts out research projects to the two US firms, some of which are never counted as subsidies. Airbus executives also insist that contracts given to US companies that are later abandoned contribute substantially to other, ongoing research.



In the dark: US "gave us nothing" says Jean Pierson

Smiling, M Pierson said: "Maybe, simply, the information is difficult to collect, due to their different rivers of subsidies... but we notice that Nasa's budget is increasing... the money has to go somewhere."

He said Airbus could easily prove to its US equivalents that it was adhering to the letter of the agreement, and that he expected the same in return. "What good is an agreement if you don't respect it? If that situation is to go on, maybe it's better to have no agreement," he added.

M Pierson also described the current passenger market as "a jungle" and called on airlines to avoid unprofitable, cut-throat competition: "As long as you have twice as many seats as passengers there will be vicious competition. They should have the discipline to close routes."

Predicting that the lean times for the airline industry would continue to the end of 1994, he said it would take up to two years after that for airplane manufacturers to recover. Airlines would be careful about re-ordering aircraft. "Who is making profit? Which airline in the world today? Singapore, and British Airways. That's it. And that's what we're up against."

Mr Kenny agreed that things were unlikely to pick up for manufacturers until the start of 1995. "But here's the thing: there's still going to be 5 per cent growth in air travel, every year, until the year 2010. Disposable income will increase and the first thing people do with the money is travel," he said.

Executives at Airbus are also worried that airlines may try to extend the use of their current aircraft. "Fuel is cheaper than ever. So with these aircraft, as long as the structure is all right, and as long as there is no strict law to forbid their use, the tendency is to keep on with them. The other day it was announced that McDonnell-Douglas and Air Canada were looking at re-engining the DC-9 — which is 20 years old. The idea would be to use it for another 15 years," he said.

In the short-term, Airbus is not worried that manufacturers from the former Soviet bloc may take a significant slice of the market. But he said he recognised that the CIS market could not be penetrated without "taking account of their industry".

The mention of a joint Airbus-Boeing super-jumbo, capable of carrying up to 800 passengers, caused M Pierson to throw his hands in the air in mock despair: "We have a feasibility study. Yes, we have a feasibility study. The conclusion is not known today."

Asked if such co-operation could lead to more in the future, he replied: "It's not easy, but nothing is impossible. Everything is possible."

The Airbus chief denied that the group's accounts were being deliberately kept secret, pointing out that as it is not a public company, it is not obliged to publish full figures.

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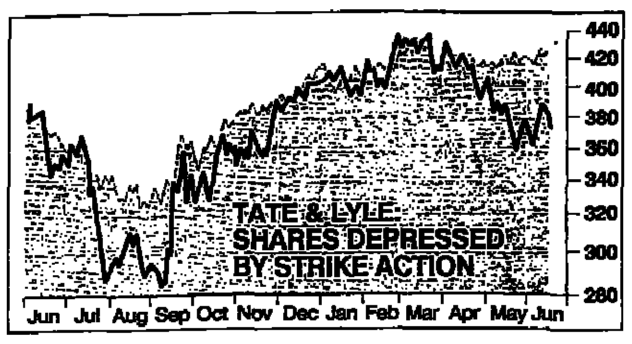
STOCK MARKET

New York puts brakes on London

TECHNICAL factors held the market in check and spoilt what had been shaping-up into a promising end of account session. The FT-SE 100 index lost a lead of nearly 12 points, owing to a flat start to trading on Wall Street, to finish 3.7 up at 2,879.4. The rise on the two-week account is 49.5 points.

The expiry of the June series of traded options forced investors to cover their positions and lifted turnover to 712 million shares. But investors proved reluctant to buy for new time, waiting to see if the triple witching hour passed without event in New York last night. However, there was no disguising the fact that confidence is growing amid hopes that another cut in interest rates is still in the pipeline. This was highlighted by Nomura, the Japanese securities house, which bought a hefty 800 contracts in the September series of the future, in the belief that the market is set to go higher.

British Steel was a late casualty falling 4½p to 98½p. Dealers say the slide was initiated by a line of 1 million being sold in New York. This sparked concern that Monday's full-year figures will be worse than expected. Analysts are forecasting a deepening of pre-tax losses from £55 million to between £130 million and £250 million.



Lonrho continued to recover from European selling of the shares this week. The price climbed 5p to 111p. **Lucas Industries** marked time as brokers continued to digest the outcome of a meeting, on Wednesday, with the company at the Paris air show. The company painted a bleak picture, reviving fears that the dividend may have to be cut. Lucas has said that no decision will be made until October. Cazenove, the company's broker, is said to be telling clients it does not believe the payment will be cut.

There was selective support for the drink sector as a period of catching-up continued. **Allied-Lyons** rose 4p to 536p, **Bass** 7p to 491p, **Boddington** 3p to 271p, and **Taunton Cider** 3p to 213p. **Whitbread A** was also 1p firmer 492p, with Credit Lyonnais Laing recommending the shares.

Tate & Lyle lost 6p to 375p on the news that workers at its Staley sweetner operation in Illinois had gone on strike. But analysts were unruffled by the news and said it would not have any adverse impact on profits. The group said it has made contingency plans and can maintain production for the forseeable future. The news that the workforce had called off the strike came too late to affect the shares.

Speculative buying lifted **Securiguard**, the security and industrial cleaning services group, 8p to 309p. **Rentokil** has decided to extend its offer of 270p a share for another seven days. The speculators are hoping Rentokil, 3p firmer at 188p, will increase the offer to 320p a share.

Ladbroke was unchanged at 181½p, after the company priced the enhanced share alternative at 171.75p. Shaw & Co, the broker, says despite trimming its profit forecast for the current year by £5 million, the shares remain a buy.

Kwik Save, the discount food retailer, touched 710p before closing 7p down at 714p. The group loses its place in the FT-SE 100 index on Monday. Also coming out of the index are **Fisons**, 4p lower at 171p, **Lasmo**, 2p cheaper at 157p, and **Southern Electric**, 12p down at 455p.

They are being replaced by **Wolseley**, up 7p at 636p, **SG Warburg**, 7p better at 732p, **British Aerospace**, 11p higher at 412p, and **RMC Group**, 10p stronger at 773p.

Beales Hunter fell 30p to 262p, after reporting that pre-tax profits for the year will be slightly down on the £2.3 million reported last time.

Gilt-Edged managed to make further headway despite confirmation of initial details from the Bank of England of the next auction. This will involve an issue of stock with a maturity of between 2000 and 2003. The auction will take place on June 30, and trading will begin on a when issued basis next Tuesday.

On the futures market, the September series of the Long Gilt fluctuated in narrow limits to finish 10 ticks higher at £105⅝ with 26,000 contracts completed. On the cash market, Exchequer 9¾ per cent 1998 recouped Thursday's losses with a rise of five ticks to £109 23/32, while at the longer end Treasury 9 per cent 2012 climbed 11 ticks to £106 19/32.

MICHAEL CLARK

This week's damage limitation exercise carried out by Guinness, in Paris, and LVMH, its French associate, in London, appears to have made little impression on brokers. Guinness fell 11p to 484p, as institutions began switching into rival Grand Metropolitan, 7p up at 414p.

Shares of Bimec, the waste disposal group, were halved at 4p after the group issued another profits warning. It says trading conditions have deteriorated since the interims and it now expects to report a loss materially higher than the £7.9 million shown at the half-way stage.

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WALL STREET

Triple witching buffets Dow

New York — Shares, buffeted by triple witching volatility, continued on the downside with blue chips remaining low in early trading. The Dow Jones industrial average was down 9.13 points at 3,512.76.

Abby Joseph Cohen, co-chairperson of the investment policy committee at Goldman Sachs, said: "I think that investors are focusing on second-quarter corporate profits. We're moving downwards because the companies that have made pre-announcements expect disappointing second-quarter performance and don't expect big second-half recovery."

☐ **Tokyo** — Investors were pushed to the sidelines as turmoil in the nation's politics dragged on longer than expected, brokers said. Arbitrage unwinding and selling by foreigners dragged down the market, while some small-lot buying picked up prices at the downside. The Nikkei average closed down 120.97 points at 19,804.54.

☐ **Hong Kong** — Share prices ended higher after Britain and China agreed on a key project in Hong Kong's airport scheme, but profit-taking pared the gains, brokers said. The Hang Seng index closed 11.65 points up at 7,200.75.

☐ **Sydney** — Shares closed higher in a day of quiet trading, boosted by an upbeat News Corp and recovering gold stocks. The all-ordinaries index gained 3.2 points to close at 1,730.4.

☐ **Frankfurt** — The Dax index closed 5.39 points down at 1,686.90 at the end of a quiet session. *(Reuter)*

	Jun 18 midday	Jun 17 close
AMP Inc	62¼	62¾
AMR Corp	62⅞	61¼
Abbott Labs	26⅞	27
Aetna Life	54⅝	54⅞
Ahmanson (HF)	17⅝	17⅝
Air Prod & Chem	41	40⅞
Albertson's	54½	55
Alcan Alumnm	19⅛	18⅞
Alco Standard	49⅝	49⅞
Allied Signal	65⅞	65⅞
Alum Co of Am	67	66⅞
Amax	22	21¼
Amerada Hess	49⅝	50
Amer Brands	33⅝	33⅞
Amer Cyanamid	52	52⅞
Amer El Power	36⅞	36⅝
Amer Express	29⅝	30
Amer Genl Corp	32	32
Amer Home Pr	66⅞	67⅝
Amer Intl	128⅞	128⅞
Amer Stores	44⅛	44⅞
Amer T & T	62⅝	62⅝
Ameritech	78⅝	78⅝
Amoco	56⅛	57⅛
Anheuser-Busch	49⅝	50⅛
Apple Computer	40⅞	41¼
Archer Daniels	23⅝	24
Arkla	9⅛	9⅛
Armco	6⅛	6⅛
Armstrng Wrld	30⅛	30⅛
Asarco	19⅞	20
Ashland Oil	25⅝	26
Atl Richfield	119⅝	119⅞
Auto Data Pro	47⅛	47⅛
Avery Dennison	29⅛	29⅛
Avon Products	53⅝	54⅞
Baker Hughes	27⅛	28⅞
Baltim Gas & El	24⅛	24⅝
Banc One	53⅝	52⅞
BankAmerica	43⅞	43⅝
Bank of NY	56½	56½
Bankers Tr NY	69⅛	69⅛
Barnett Banks	46⅛	46⅞
Bausch & Lomb	50⅞	50⅛
Baxter Intl	28⅞	29⅝
Becton Dicknsn	38⅝	39⅛
Bell Atlantic	56⅛	56½
BellSouth	53⅞	54¼
Black & Decker	20⅞	20⅞
Block (H&R)	36¼	38¼
Boeing	38⅝	39
Boise Cascade	24⅛	24⅝
Borden Inc	18⅝	18⅛
Bristol Myrs Sq	60⅞	61½
Browning Ferris	27	27⅛
Burlington Nthn	50⅛	50⅞
CBS	238⅛	239⅞
CNA Financial	93⅞	93¼
CPC Intl	41½	41¼
CSX	68⅛	68⅛
Campbell Soup	39⅛	39⅝
Can Pacific	15⅛	15⅝
Cptl Cities ABC	539⅞	539⅝
Cptl Holdings	38⅛	38¼
Carolina Pwr	31½	32⅛
Caterpillar	77⅛	77⅛
Central & SW	31	31¼
Champion Intl	32⅝	32½
Chase Manhat	29⅝	30⅛
Chemical Bk	39⅛	39⅛
Chevron Corp	89⅝	89⅞
Chrysler	46	46
Chubb Corp	81½	81
Cigna Corp	59⅝	59⅛
Citicorp	27⅛	27⅛
Clorox	49⅝	49⅝
Coastal Corp	26⅛	26⅛
Coca Cola	42⅛	42⅞
Colgate-Palmolive	56⅛	55⅞
Columbia Gas	24⅛	24⅞
Commonw Ed	27⅛	27⅛
Compaq Comp	53⅝	53½
Comp Ass Intl	27⅛	27⅝
Conagra	25⅝	26⅛
Cons Edison	34½	34⅞
Cons Nat Gas	51¼	52⅝
Cons Rail	53⅝	53⅝
Cooper Inds	49⅝	49⅝
Corning Inc	34⅝	34⅝
Crown Cork	39⅛	39⅝
Dana Corp	51¼	51⅛
Dayton Hudson	63⅛	63⅞
Deere	65⅛	64⅞
Delta Air Lines	48⅝	48⅝
Deluxe Corp	38⅛	38⅝
Detroit Edison	33⅞	33½
Digital Equip	41	40⅞
Dillard Dept St	37⅛	36⅝
Disney (Walt)	42⅞	43⅝
Dominion Res	42⅝	43
Donelley (RR)	29⅝	29⅛
Dover Corp	47⅛	47⅛
Dow Chemicals	56⅛	56⅞
Dow Jones	27⅛	27⅝
Dresser	23⅝	23⅝
Duke Power	39⅝	39⅛
Dun & Bradstreet	58⅝	59
Du Pont	50⅝	50⅛
Eastman Kodak	53⅛	53
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Emerson Elec	60	60
Engelhard Corp	35⅛	35⅛
Enron Corp	59⅛	59⅛
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First Chicago	39⅛	39⅛
First Interstate	58⅝	58⅛
First Union Rlty	10⅛	10⅛
Fleet Finl Grp	31½	31
Fluor Corp	41⅛	41⅛
Ford Motor	50	50⅛
GTE Corp	35⅛	35⅛
Gannett	48⅛	48⅛
Gap Inc Del	31⅛	31⅛
Gen Cinema	35⅛	35⅛
Gen Dynamics	95⅛	95⅛
Gen Electric	95	95⅛
Gen Mills	63⅛	64¼
Gen Motors	42⅛	41⅛
Gen Reinsurance	109⅛	109⅛
Gen Signal	66	66⅛
Genuine Parts	35½	35⅛
Georgia Pac	59⅛	58⅛
Gillette	48⅛	48⅛
Glaxo ADR	17⅛	18⅛
Goodrich (BF)	44⅛	44⅛
Goodyear Tire	39⅛	39⅛
Grace (W&R)	39⅛	40
Grt Atl Pac Tea	33	34⅛
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Humana	10⅛	10⅛
ITT Corp	85	83⅛
Illinois Tool	75⅛	75⅛
INCO	22⅛	22⅛
Ingersoll Rand	34½	34⅛
Inland Steel	25⅛	25⅛
Intel Corp	56⅛	56⅛
IBM	49⅛	49⅛
Intl Flav & Fr	114⅛	114⅛
Intl Paper	65	64⅛
James River Va	21⅛	20⅛
Jhnsn & Jhnsn	43⅛	45⅛
K Mart	22⅛	22⅛
Kellogg	53⅛	53⅛
Kerr-McGee	50⅛	50⅛
Kimberly-Clark	47⅛	47⅛
Knight-Ridder	52⅛	52⅛
Lilly (Eli)	50	50⅛
Limited Inc	22⅛	23⅛
LIN Brdcstng	100⅛	99⅛
Lincoln Nat	75	75⅛
Litton	64⅛	57
Liz Claiborne	31½	32⅛
Lockheed Corp	61½	62⅛
Louisiana Pac	31½	30⅛
MCI Commun	55⅛	55⅛
Marriott	26	26⅛
Marsh & McLnn	85⅛	85⅛
Masco Corp	30	30⅛
May Dept St	37⅛	37⅛
Maytag Corp	15⅛	15⅛
McCaw Cellular	41⅛	41⅛
McDonalds	49⅛	49⅛
McDonnell D	70⅛	70⅛
McGraw Hill	58	58⅛
Mead Corp	44⅛	44⅛
Medtronic	64⅛	64⅛
Mellon Bk	54	53⅛
Melville Corp	46⅛	46⅛
Merck Inc	37⅛	38⅛
Merrill Lynch	72⅛	73⅛
Minnesota Mine	108⅛	108⅛
Mobil Corp	74⅛	74⅛
Monsanto	58⅛	58⅛
Morgan (JP)	66⅛	67⅛
Motorola Inc	82⅛	82⅛
Natl Medical	8⅛	8⅛
Natl Semi	16	16⅛
Natl Service Ind	25⅛	25⅛
Navistar Int C	2⅛	2⅛
NBD Bancorp	31½	32
NY Times A	23⅛	23⅛
Newmont Mng	49⅛	49⅛
Niag Mohawk	24⅛	24⅛
Nike B	66⅛	66⅛
NL Industries	3⅛	3⅛
Nordstrom	27⅛	28⅛
Norfolk Sthrn	63⅛	63⅛
Nthn State Pwr	45⅛	45⅛
Norwest Corp	49⅛	49⅛
Nynex Corp	88⅛	89
Occidental Pet	20⅛	20⅛
Ohio Edison	24⅛	24⅛
Oracle Systems	44⅛	44⅛
Oryx Energy Co	21⅛	21¼
Owens Corning	40⅝	40⅞
PNC Financial	30⅛	30⅞
PPG Industries	69⅞	70⅝
Paccar Inc	57⅛	58
Pacificorp	18⅝	18⅞
Pac Enterprises	24⅝	24⅞
Pac Gas & Elect	33	33¼
Pac Telesis	48⅛	48⅝
Pall Corp	17⅝	17⅝
Panhandle East	23⅝	23⅞
Paramnt Comm	52⅝	53
Parker Hannifin	33⅞	33⅞
Penney (JC)	40	40⅞
Pennzoil	64⅛	65
Pepsico	36⅞	36⅞
Pfizer	73⅞	74⅛
Phelps Dodge	44⅛	44⅛
Philadel Elec	30	29⅞
Philip Morris	48⅛	48⅞
Phillips Pet	29⅝	29⅝
Pitney Bowes	41⅛	41⅞
Polaroid	37⅝	37⅞
Price Co	35⅛	37
Primerica	45⅛	45⅞
Procter & Gmbl	48⅛	49
Pub Serv E & G	33	33⅛
Quaker Oats	72⅛	73⅞
Ralston Purina	44⅛	44⅞
Raychem Corp	43	44
Raytheon	58⅛	58
Reebok Intl	29⅛	29⅞
Reynolds Metals	45⅛	44⅞
Roadway Srvcs	52⅛	53⅞
Rockwell Intl	33⅛	33⅞
Rohm & Haas	56⅛	56⅞
Royal Dutch	93⅞	94⅛
Rubbermaid	30⅛	30⅞
Safeco Corp	56	56⅛
St Paul's Cos	79⅛	80
Salomon Inc	37	37⅞
Santa Fe S Pac	15⅛	15⅝
Sara Lee Corp	24⅛	25⅛
Secorp	48⅛	48⅞
Schering Plough	68⅛	69⅞
Schlumberger	65⅛	65⅞
Scott Paper	32⅛	32⅛
Seagram	26⅛	26⅛
Sears Roebuck	54⅛	53⅞
Shell Trans	57⅛	57⅞
Sherwin Wlms	31⅝	31⅞
Skyline Corp	17⅛	17⅞
Snap-On-Tools	38⅛	38⅞
Southern Co	41⅝	41⅞
Sthwestern Bell	38	38⅞
Sprint Corp	32	31⅝
Stanley Works	45⅛	46
Sun Company	24⅛	24⅞
Suntrust	44⅛	44⅞
Supervalu	34⅛	33⅞
Syntex Corp	18⅛	18⅞
Sysco Corp	26⅛	26⅞
TRW Inc	65⅛	65⅞
Tandem Comp	12⅛	12⅞
Tandy Corp	30	30⅞
Telecom Corp	4⅛	4
Teledyne	20⅛	21
Temple Inland	43⅛	43⅞
Tenneco	48⅛	47⅞
Texaco	64⅛	65
Texas Inst	70⅛	70⅞
Texas Utilities	44⅛	45⅞
Textron	52⅛	52⅞
Time Warner	37⅛	37⅞
Times-Mirror	28⅛	28⅞
Timken	33	33⅞
Torchmark	52	53
Toys R Us	37	37
Transamerica	50⅛	50⅞
Travelers Corp	39⅛	28⅞
Tribune	52⅛	53⅛
Tyco Labs	41⅛	41⅛
UAL Corp	124⅛	121⅛
UST Inc	28⅛	29
USX Marathon	17⅛	17⅛
Unilever NV	105⅛	106⅛
Union Camp	42⅛	43⅛
Union Carbide	19⅛	18⅛
Union Pacific	60⅛	60⅛
Unisys Corp	11⅛	11⅛
USAIR Group	18⅛	16
USF&G Corp	16⅛	16⅛
US Life	39⅛	39⅛
US West	44⅛	44⅛
United Tech	53⅛	57⅛
Unocal Corp	30⅛	30⅛
Upjohn	30⅛	31
VF Corp	48⅛	49
WMX Tech	34⅛	35
Wal-Mart Stores	25⅛	25⅛
Warner-Lambert	71⅛	72
Wells Fargo	100⅛	100⅛
Westinghouse El	14⅛	14⅛
Weyerhaeuser	41⅛	41⅛
Whirlpool	53⅛	53⅛
Whitman	13⅛	13⅛
Winn Dixie	55⅛	56
Woolworth	28⅛	28⅛
Wrigley (Wm) Jr	34⅛	34⅛
Xerox	77	77⅛

RISES:

Provident	394p (+10p)
RMC Group	774p (+11p)
Wellcome	730p (+10p)
Williams Hldgs	318p (+9p)
Br Aerospace	413p (+12p)
Grainger	165p (+9p)
Rothmans 'B'	650p (+10p)
Tiphook	335p (+11p)
Logica	265p (+10p)

FALLS:

Geest	354p (-11p)
Sothebys	825p (-13p)

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NEW ISSUES

AG Holdings (125)	128	...
Break for the Border (48)	57	-1
Bruntcliffe Aggregates (25)	37½	-2½
China Inv Trust (100)	94	...
China Inv Warrants	53	...
Division Group (40)	79	-1
Drew Scientific (105)	125	-5
Fine Decor (210)	252	...
First Spanish Wrnts 1997	12½	...
Fleming Chvrlse C (100)	105	+1
Inveresk (150)	171	...
Ivory & Sime ISIS Tst	97½	...
OGC (130)	125	-3
Phonelink (155)	233	+5
Pilkington Warrants	33	...
Quayle Munro (118)	138	...

UNIT-LINKED INSURANCE INVESTMENTS

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
AEGON LIFE ASSURANCE Aegon House, Lanark Square, London E14 9XS 071 538 8900				
Series Mngd Fd	392.70	415.60	+ 2.00	...
Series Equity	493.10	521.90	+ 4.80	...
Series Prop Fd	392.50	415.40	+ 3.30	...
Series Fixed Int	309.30	327.40	+ 2.00	...
Series Money Fd	239.70	253.70	+ 0.10	...
Series Oseas Fd	300.10	317.60	- 2.70	...
AETNA LIFE INSURANCE 242 Pentonville Road, London N1 9XD 0800 010575				
Life Funds				
Squirrel	17.19	18.10	+ 0.02	...
Bear	17.91	18.86	+ 0.02	...
Owl	17.71	18.65	- 0.02	...
Bull	16.02	16.87	- 0.03	...
Stag	16.95	17.85	+ 0.07	...
Gilt Edged	17.66	17.66	+ 0.06	...
Deposit	15.16	15.16	+ 0.01	...
Pensions				
Squirrel	22.85	24.06	+ 0.03	...
Bear	23.75	25.01	+ 0.05	...
Owl	23.36	24.59	- 0.04	...
Bull	20.02	21.08	- 0.04	...
Stag	20.58	21.67	+ 0.10	...
Gilt Edged	21.61	21.61	+ 0.09	...
Deposit	19.17	19.17	+ 0.02	...
Pre 1982 Series				
3-Way Fund	522.12	522.13	+ 0.71	...
1982 Series				
UK Equity	312.83	329.30	+ 1.08	...
N Amer Equity	275.97	290.50	+ 3.68	...
Far East Equity	365.45	384.69	- 5.64	...
Fixed	276.22	290.76	+ 1.03	...
Cash Deposit	194.98	205.25	- 0.18	...
Property	115.89	121.99	- 2.70	...
Special Opp	337.21	354.96	+ 1.52	...
Managed	273.13	287.51	+ 0.05	...
Index-Linked Fd	184.91	194.65	- 0.41	...
ABBEY LIFE Holdenhurst Road, Bournemouth BH8 8AL 0202 292373				
Property Fd Inc	250.20	263.40	+ 0.10	...
-do- Acc	440.20	463.40	...	...
Equity Fd Inc	156.60	164.90	+ 0.70	...
-do- Acc	197.90	208.40	+ 1.00	...
Selective Fd	438.20	461.30	+ 1.40	...
Money Fd	357.30	376.20	+ 0.40	...
Prop Fd Ser 4	343.30	361.40	- 0.20	...
Equity Ser 4	194.40	204.70	+ 0.50	...
Man Ser 4	596.80	628.30	- 0.40	...
Conv Ser 4	313.30	329.80	+ 0.30	...
Money Ser 4	313.00	329.50	+ 0.30	...
Fixed Int Ser 4	324.30	341.40	+ 2.10	...
American Ser 4	471.90	496.80	+ 6.30	...
High Inc Ser 4	588.80	619.80	+ 4.80	...
Indexed Inv Ser 4	198.20	208.70	- 0.60	...
Japan Ser 4	351.40	369.90	-13.00	...
ALBANY LIFE 3 Darkes Lane, Potters Bar EN6 1AJ 0707 42311				
Equity Fd Acc	1414.2	1488.5	+11.00	...
European Fd Acc	304.30	320.30	- 0.90	...
Fixed Int Acc	491.10	516.80	+ 4.30	...
Gtd Money Acc	318.60	335.30	- 0.20	...
Intl Managed Acc	526.30	554.00	+ 1.30	...
Inx Fxd Int Acc	316.90	333.60	- 3.20	...
Japan Fund	278.00	292.60	-16.30	...
N American Acc	297.80	313.50	+ 4.30	...
Prop Fd Acc	366.70	386.00	+ 0.60	...
Multiple Inv Acc	940.60	990.10	- 5.30	...
ALLIED DUNBAR ASSURANCE Swindon SN1 1EL 0793 514514				
Fxd Int Dep Acc	354.40	373.10	+ 0.20	...
Equity Acc	1234.6	1299.6	- 0.80	...
Property Acc	470.90	495.70	+ 0.50	...
Far East Acc	259.80	273.50	- 5.90	...
Managed Capital	481.30	506.70	+ 1.00	...
-do- Acc	952.90	1003.1	+ 2.20	...
Overseas Acc	829.70	873.40	+ 4.20	...
Gilt Edged Acc	436.80	459.80	+ 2.50	...
Amer Equity Acc	702.20	739.20	+12.10	...
Amer Man Acc	301.90	317.80	- 4.80	...
Amer Prop Acc	114.70	120.80	+ 1.40	...
AXA EQUITY & LAW LIFE ASSURANCE Amersham Road, High Wycombe, Bucks 0494 463463				
Reserve Ser 5	135.60	142.70	+ 0.40	...
Balced Ser 5	623.90	656.70	+ 3.20	...
Opportunity Ser 5	138.00	145.20	- 0.20	...
UK Equities Ser 5	853.70	898.60	+ 8.70	...
Higher Inc Ser 5	900.20	947.50	+10.40	...
North Amer Ser 5	418.10	440.10	+ 1.80	...
Far East Ser 5	486.30	511.90	-10.20	...
Europe Ser 5	304.80	320.80	+ 0.60	...
Intnl Ser 5	500.70	527.00	- 0.70	...
Property Ser 5	454.80	478.70	+ 0.60	...
Fixed Int Ser 5	389.50	409.90	+ 1.80	...
Ind-Lnkd Sec S5	173.30	182.40	+ 0.50	...
Gteed Dep Ser 5	282.60	297.40	- 0.40	...
BARCLAYS LIFE 252 Romford Road, London E7 9JB 081 534 5544				
Equity Acc	745.90	785.20	- 4.90	...
-do- Initial	519.30	546.70	- 3.40	...
Gilt Edged Acc	362.70	381.80	+ 2.00	...
-do- Initial	254.70	268.20	+ 1.40	...
International Acc	354.70	373.40	- 3.30	...
-do- Initial	247.50	260.60	- 1.10	...
Managed Acc	466.30	490.90	+ 1.40	...
-do- Initial	326.00	343.20	+ 1.00	...
Money Acc	277.80	292.50	+ 0.20	...
Property Acc	253.60	267.00	+ 0.30	...
-do- Initial	175.90	185.20	+ 0.10	...
America Acc	270.20	284.50	+ 4.60	...
Australia Acc	173.70	182.90	+ 2.70	...
Financial Acc	280.30	295.10	- 2.30	...
500 Accum	400.90	422.10	- 1.90	...
Japan Genl Acc	352.40	371.00	-16.90	...
Income Acc	467.30	491.90	+ 3.60	...
Leisure Acc	197.10	207.50	- 3.50	...
Special Sits Acc	205.00	215.80	- 1.40	...
Univ Tech Acc	133.00	140.00	- 0.30	...
BLACK HORSE LIFE Mountbatten House, Chatham, Kent ME4 4JF 0634 834800				
The Managed Fd	715.43	715.43	+ 1.68	...
Income Fund	682.54	718.47	+ 2.29	...
Extra Income	626.73	659.72	+ 4.54	...
Worldwide Gth	442.78	466.09	- 0.78	...
Balanced Fund	591.29	622.42	+ 2.94	...
Smllr Cos Recov	604.62	636.45	- 3.48	...
N Amer & Genrl	354.43	373.09	+ 5.14	...
Pacific Basin	354.93	373.62	- 0.05	...
German Growth	193.64	203.84	+ 0.21	...
Japan Growth	167.70	176.53	- 8.12	...
The UK Gth Fd	188.13	198.04	+ 1.37	...
Contl Euro Gth	105.49	111.05	+ 0.08	...
Property Fund	340.25	358.16	+ 0.39	...
Fixed Interest	289.04	304.26	+ 2.43	...
Cash Fund	270.58	284.83	+ 0.28	...
Managed Inv	437.13	460.14	+ 0.96	...
Nth Amer Recov	238.22	250.76	+ 6.80	...
Abtrust Fund				
Managed Grth	401.89	423.05	- 0.58	...
BRITANNIA LIFE ASSURANCE PO Box 37, Greenock, Renfrewshire 0475 868000				
Measured Perf	141.20	149.40	- 0.10	...
Performance Plus	136.10	144.00	- 1.70	...
With Profit Perf	161.50	170.80	+ 0.20	...
UK Opportunity	160.90	170.20	- 0.50	...
Euro Opportunity	174.50	184.60	- 1.30	...
North Amer Opp	132.60	140.30	+ 1.80	...
Far East Opp.	160.00	169.30	- 3.30	...
Gwth Prop Ser 1	142.30	150.50	+ 0.10	...
Gth Prop Ser 2	150.40	159.10	+ 0.90	...
Fixed Int	167.90	177.60	+ 2.00	...
Cash	149.20	157.80	+ 0.20	...
Overseas	156.00	165.00	+ 2.00	...
CANADA LIFE 24 High Street, Potters Bar, Herts EN6 5BA 0707 51122				
Equity Growth	1238.60	...	...	...
Managed	296.00	311.70	+ 0.50	...
Property	195.60	205.90	+ 0.20	...
Gilt & Fxd Int	221.70	233.40	+ 2.10	...
Index-Linked	179.00	188.40	- 0.10	...
Equity	327.30	344.60	+ 1.70	...
Cash	208.20	219.20	+ 0.10	...
CLife Euro Mgd	313.40	330.00	- 0.90	...
CLife Intl Fd	337.20	355.00	- 3.50	...
CANNON ASSURANCE 1 Olympic Way, Wembley, Middx HA9 0NB 081 902 8876				
Equity Units	£113.20	...	+ 0.30	...
Property Units	£29.24	...	...	...
Bal Bd Exec Unit	£58.77	£62.19	+ 0.12	...
2nd Equity Acc	566.60	599.60	+ 1.60	...
2nd High Inc Ac	543.70	575.30	+ 2.40	...
2nd Property Acc	231.50	245.00	...	...
2nd Mngd 2 Acc	169.10	178.90	+ 0.90	...
2nd Mngd 3 Acc	418.30	442.60	+ 0.80	...
2nd Mngd 4 Acc	203.20	215.00	...	...
2nd Deposit Acc	268.80	284.40	- 0.20	...
2nd Gilt Acc	275.40	291.40	- 2.60	...
2nd Amer Acc	596.00	630.70	+11.40	...
2nd Intl Mny Acc	253.00	267.70	- 0.50	...
2nd Index Acc	184.60	195.30	- 0.90	...
2nd Far East Acc	391.60	414.40	- 7.30	...
2nd Global Acc	156.60	165.70	+ 0.30	...
2nd Euro Acc	136.70	144.70	- 0.40	...
2nd Japan Acc	205.30	217.20	- 9.70	...
2nd Heritage Acc	68.30	72.30	...	...
2nd Int Cr Bd Ac	153.70	162.60	+ 0.80	...
2nd Cap Gth Acc	113.90	120.50	+ 0.40	...
CITY OF WESTMINSTER ASSURANCE Sentry House, 500 Avebury Blvd, Milton Keynes MK9 2NU. 0908 606101				
Property Fund	177.50	186.90	...	...
Managed Fund	538.60	567.00	+ 3.00	...
Equity Fund	305.90	322.00	- 1.60	...
CLERICAL MEDICAL/FIDELITY INVESTMENTS Narrow Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH. 0272 290566				
Assurance Funds				
Sapphire Mixed	254.90	268.40	+ 0.70	...
Ruby	146.30	154.00	- 0.70	...
Emerald	134.20	141.30	+ 0.70	...
Equity	290.70	306.00	+ 2.90	...
Property	174.40	183.60	...	...
Gilt & Fixed Int	192.90	203.10	- 2.00	...
Indexed Secs	157.90	166.30	+ 0.60	...
Cash	178.30	187.70	+ 0.10	...
Nth American	199.20	209.70	- 3.30	...
Far East	258.30	271.90	- 5.00	...
International	206.90	217.80	- 1.70	...
Special Sits	278.90	293.00	- 1.20	...
Intl Income	257.10	270.70	+ 2.80	...
American Inc	172.80	181.90	+ 2.60	...
European	253.60	266.90	- 0.70	...
Japanese	149.90	157.80	- 5.90	...
SE Asia	280.10	294.90	- 0.40	...
With Profits Reg	147.80	155.60	+ 0.20	...
-do- Spec	147.80	155.60	+ 0.20	...
Flexible Retirement Plans Funds				
Mixed	279.40	294.20	+ 0.80	...
Equity	329.30	346.70	- 2.80	...
Property	169.90	178.90	- 0.30	...
Gilt & Fixed Int	232.60	244.90	+ 2.80	...
Index Linked	165.90	174.70	+ 0.70	...
Cash	233.40	245.70	+ 0.30	...
Nth American	247.20	260.30	+ 6.70	...
Far East Acc	305.30	321.40	-11.90	...
International Acc	256.30	269.80	- 1.70	...
Special Sits	412.80	434.60	+ 0.40	...
European Flex	338.30	356.20	+ 1.20	...
COLONIAL MUTUAL GROUP Colonial Mutual House, Chatham Maritime, Kent ME4 4YY. 0634 890 000				
(Units)Key	£205.73	...	...	...
-do- Pacemaker	£294.57	...	...	...
-do- Cash	195.70	206.00	- 0.13	...
-do- Equity	477.08	502.19	+ 1.94	...
-do- Fxd Int	340.37	358.28	+ 2.51	...
-do- Managed	346.59	364.83	- 1.80	...
-do- Property	280.81	295.90	- 5.10	...
(Pens) Cash Cap	205.45	216.27	+ 0.05	...
-do- Cash Inv	285.70	300.75	+ 0.29	...
-do- Equity Cap	1282.2	1349.7	+ 7.95	...
-do- Equity Inv	1783.0	1876.9	+12.30	...
-do- Fixed Cap	371.12	390.66	+ 1.79	...
-do- Fixed Inv	516.08	543.25	+ 2.85	...
-do- Index Cap	200.76	211.34	+ 1.28	...
-do- Index Inv	279.18	293.89	+ 1.98	...
Mngd Cap	519.36	546.71	+ 1.54	...
Mngd Inv	722.23	760.25	+ 2.65	...
COMMERCIAL UNION St Helen's, 1 Undershaft, EC3. 071 283 7500				
Var Ann Acc (3)	608.59	...	+ 2.16	...
Var Ann (3)	383.08	...	+ 0.07	...
Prime: Managed	356.50	375.30	+ 1.60	...
Prime: UK Equity	426.90	449.40	+ 3.20	...
Prime: Int Equity	266.90	281.00	- 0.90	...
Prime: Property	195.60	205.90	+ 0.20	...
Prime Fxd Int	226.80	238.80	+ 1.40	...
Prime Index-Lnk	162.70	171.30	+ 0.80	...
Prime: Cash	195.80	206.20	+ 0.20	...
CONFEDERATION LIFE Lytton Way, Stevenage, Herts SG1 2NN 0438 744840				
Managed Fund	1009.6	1062.7	...	...
Equity Fund	1437.2	1512.8	...	...
CROWN FINANCIAL Crown House, Woking GU21 1XW 0483 715033				
Life Mangd Acc	532.20	560.20	+ 2.40	...
Life Fxd Int Acc	341.70	359.60	+ 2.80	...
Life Equity Acc	728.00	766.30	+ 5.10	...
Life Money Acc	288.90	304.10	+ 0.20	...
Life Inv Tst Acc	675.70	711.20	+ 6.80	...
Life Intl Acc	465.30	489.70	- 3.00	...
Life High Inc Acc	695.10	731.60	+ 6.20	...
Life Property Acc	205.80	216.60	+ 0.20	...
Crown Brit Inv A	1138.3	...	...	...
Brewin Equity	627.10	660.10	- 0.30	...
Life Equity Acc	234.00	246.30	...	...
EAGLE STAR LIFE ASSURANCE Bath Road, Cheltenham, Gloucester GL53 7LQ. 0242 221311				
Secure Fund	167.20	176.00	+ 0.10	...
Blue Chip Fund	220.80	232.50	+ 0.20	...
-do- Series 2	141.70	149.20	+ 0.10	...
Adventurous Fd	187.30	197.20	- 0.70	...
-do- Series 2	140.60	148.10	- 0.40	...
Performance Fd	226.40	238.40	- 0.10	...
-do- Series 2	146.40	154.20	...	...
UK Pref Fxd Int	137.90	145.20	+ 0.60	...
UK Equity Fund	140.80	148.30	+ 0.70	...
Property Fund	102.60	108.00	...	...
Envrnmntl Opps	139.20	146.60	+ 0.10	...
Euro Fund	143.80	151.40	- 0.20	...
North Amer Fd	175.50	184.80	+ 2.70	...
Oriental Ops	162.10	170.70	- 2.60	...
Japanese Fund	123.20	129.70	- 4.70	...
Bd & West Life	114.60	120.70	- 0.60	...
Bd & West Pen	125.80	132.50	+ 0.20	...
EAGLE STAR/MIDLAND 60 St Mary Axe, London EC3. 071 929 1111				
Eagle/Mid Uts	246.10	255.00	+ 0.10	3.59
FRIENDS' PROVIDENT Castle Street, Salisbury, Wilts SP1 3SH 0722 413366				
Managed (Mixed)	271.90	286.20	+ 1.30	...
UK Equity	364.00	383.20	- 2.80	...
Stewardship	313.90	330.50	- 0.20	...
Overseas Equity	242.60	255.40	- 1.30	...
North American	133.60	140.70	+ 2.40	...
Pacific Basin	135.60	142.80	- 3.90	...
European	169.20	178.20	- 0.20	...
Property	187.10	197.00	- 0.10	...
Fixed Interest	210.60	221.70	+ 2.70	...
Index Linked	155.90	164.20	+ 0.70	...
Cash	190.50	200.60	+ 0.10	...
GT UNIT MANAGERS LTD Alban Gate, 14th Flr, 125 London Wall, Lond EC2Y 5AS. 071 710 4567				
GT Plan Far East	305.10	321.20	- 7.30	...
GT Plan Wwide	429.40	452.10	- 2.70	...
GENERAL ACCIDENT 2 Rougier Street, York YO1 1HR. 0904 628982				
Managed	183.10	192.70	+ 0.30	...
Unitised Profit	122.10	128.40	- 0.20	...
UK Equity	247.10	260.00	+ 1.90	...
Fixed Int	181.30	190.80	+ 1.60	...
Index-Linked	156.50	164.70	+ 0.80	...
Cash Deposit	167.10	175.80	+ 0.10	...
Property	163.50	172.00	...	...
International	162.60	171.10	- 0.20	...
American	146.50	154.10	+ 2.70	...
Japan	240.50	253.10	-12.80	...
Japan Smllr Cos	246.70	259.60	-13.10	...
European	156.00	164.10	- 0.30	...
Pacific Fund	221.10	232.70	+ 2.30	...
Conv Life	130.50	137.30	+ 0.40	...
GENERAL PORTFOLIO LIFE Gen Portfolio House, Harlow, Essex CM20 2EW. 0279 626262				
Portfolio Acc	643.20	643.20	+ 1.30	...
-do- Inv A	643.10	677.00	+ 1.30	...
UK Equity	367.90	387.40	+ 1.60	...
Gilt Plus	196.90	207.40	+ 1.60	...
Managed	280.80	295.70	+ 0.70	...
Inter Man	253.60	267.10	+ 2.00	...
GRESHAM UNIT 24 Prince of Wales Road, Bournemouth 0202 752800				
Managed Bond	645.50	680.20	- 0.50	...
Money Fund	302.40	318.30	+ 0.30	...
Equity Fund	557.10	587.00	+ 5.70	...
Fixed Interest	263.80	278.10	+ 1.80	...
Property Fund	334.60	352.60	...	...
Gresham Framlington				
American & Gnrl	493.80	520.30	- 1.90	...
Income	664.40	700.10	+ 7.30	...
International Gth	540.90	570.00	- 1.40	...
Capital Fund	573.10	603.90	+ 3.90	...
Recovery Fund	547.90	577.30	- 2.60	...
Japan & General	267.20	282.10	- 9.90	...
GUARDIAN ROYAL EXCHANGE Royal Exchange London EC3. 071 283 7101				
Asi Prop Bds	642.90	669.70	...	...
Managed Initial	419.10	441.20	+ 2.00	...
-do- Acc	578.30	608.70	+ 3.00	...
Equity Initial	612.40	644.70	+ 3.60	...
-do- Acc	845.00	889.50	+ 5.30	...
Fixed Int Initial	411.20	432.80	+ 5.50	...
-do- Acc	567.30	597.20	+ 7.90	...
Intl Initial	414.80	436.60	- 1.80	...
-do- Acc	572.30	602.40	- 2.30	...
Nth Amer Initial	171.80	180.80	+ 2.10	...
-do- Acc	215.70	227.00	+ 2.70	...
Pacific Initial	223.70	235.50	- 3.10	...
-do- Acc	278.30	292.90	- 3.80	...
Property Initial	149.90	157.80	...	...
-do- Acc	206.60	217.50	...	...
Index-Lnkd Intl	154.80	162.90	+ 1.00	...
-do- Acc	194.40	204.60	+ 1.40	...
Deposit Initial	193.30	203.50	...	...
-do- Acc	266.80	280.80	+ 0.20	...
Euro Initial	82.50	86.80	- 0.60	...
-do- Acc	95.70	100.70	- 0.70	...
HAMBRO GUARDIAN ASSURANCE Kingsgate, 1 King Edward Road, Brentwood, Essex CM14 4HG. 0277 200939				
Managed	146.50	154.20	+ 0.40	...
-do- Pens	174.30	183.40	+ 0.70	...
UK Equity	145.00	152.60	+ 0.80	...
-do- Pens	159.70	168.10	+ 1.10	...
International	131.10	138.00	- 0.60	...
-do- Pens	141.90	149.30	- 0.70	...
Deposit	134.10	141.10	+ 0.10	...
-do- Pens	155.80	164.00	+ 0.10	...
HENDERSON ADMINISTRATION 3 Finsbury Avenue, London EC2M 2PA 071 638 5757				
UK Equity Fd	344.70	366.80	+ 1.00	...
North America	314.20	334.30	- 2.60	...
Far East Fund	531.60	565.60	- 9.70	...
Global Managed	411.70	438.00	- 0.10	...
Deposit Fund	219.10	230.70	+ 0.30	...
Prime Residential	124.70	131.30	...	...
European Fund	219.20	233.20	- 0.20	...
Fixed Interest	67.10	71.80	+ 0.40	...
HILL SAMUEL LIFE NLA Tower, Addiscombe Road, Croydon 081 686 4355				
Security Fund	459.80	486.60	+ 2.60	...
British Fund	463.10	490.10	+ 4.50	...
International	462.50	489.50	+ 1.20	...
Dollar Fund	337.30	357.00	+ 4.80	...
Capital Fund	418.20	442.60	+ 2.20	...
Income Fund	624.20	660.60	+ 7.00	...
Property Series A	382.10	404.40	...	...
Property Units	619.00	650.00	...	...
Financial Fund	488.20	516.70	- 5.30	...
Managed Ser A	487.00	515.40	+ 2.30	...
-do- C	275.90	292.00	...	...
Managed Units	869.90	915.70	+ 4.20	...
High Yield Fund	591.30	625.80	+ 5.20	...
Money Series A	274.60	290.60	+ 0.20	...
Money Units	361.90	381.00	+ 0.40	...
Equity Fund	551.10	583.20	+ 2.70	...
Fixed Interest	349.90	370.30	+ 2.80	...
Indexed Secs	173.00	183.10	+ 0.80	...
European Fund	633.80	670.70	+ 1.20	...
Natural Res	256.70	271.70	+ 7.20	...
Far East Fund	556.90	589.40	- 9.30	...
Smaller Cos	420.80	445.30	+ 1.10	...
Special Sits	404.40	428.00	+ 1.10	...
Man Currency	252.70	267.50	+ 1.00	...
Japanese Tech	253.90	268.70	-10.50	...
US Smaller Cos	202.50	214.30	+ 4.70	...
IRISH LIFE ASSURANCE Irish Life Centre, Victoria Street, St Albans, Herts AL1 5TF. 0727 42161				
Global Managed	491.60	517.50	- 0.30	...
Global Property	260.40	274.10	...	...
Global Fixed Int	473.50	498.40	+ 3.70	...
Global Equity	521.30	548.70	+ 0.20	...
Global Cash	203.50	214.20	- 0.20	...
LAURENTIAN LIFE Barnwood, Gloucester GL4 7RZ 0452 371371				
Gtd Mgd	451.10	474.80	- 0.10	...
Property	413.00	434.70	+ 0.50	...
Managed	375.90	395.70	+ 1.90	...
American	370.10	389.60	+ 3.40	...
UK Equity Fd	407.30	429.00	+ 4.60	...
Japan	207.70	218.60	- 8.30	...
Index-Lkd	177.40	186.70	+ 0.60	...
High Yield	754.90	794.60	+ 5.80	...
Growth Cap	407.50	429.00	+ 1.70	...
Money	384.40	404.60	+ 0.30	...
International	348.80	367.20	- 2.60	...
Henderson Active	196.90	207.30	- 1.20	...
Perpetual Active	285.30	300.30	- 2.50	...
Growth Cap	407.50	429.00	+ 1.70	...
-do- Acc	583.60	614.30	+ 2.70	...
LEGAL & GENERAL UNIT ASSURANCE 1 Montefiore Road, Hove, Sussex BN3 1SE 0273 824000				
B Sec Lnkd Init	134.90	142.10	...	...
-do- Acc	177.70	187.10	+ 0.10	...
Brit Opps Int	128.40	135.20	+ 0.90	...
-do- Acc	152.30	160.40	+ 1.20	...
Cash Initial	166.80	175.60	+ 0.20	...
-do- Acc	274.40	288.90	+ 0.20	...
Equity Initial	593.40	624.70	+ 4.30	...
-do- Acc	976.30	1027.7	+ 7.20	...
Fixed Initial	339.50	357.40	+ 1.50	...
-do- Acc	558.60	588.00	+ 2.30	...
Index-Lnkd Gilt	131.60	138.60	+ 0.20	...
-do- Acc	184.80	194.60	+ 0.30	...
Intl Initial	315.00	331.60	- 1.30	...
-do- Acc	510.30	537.20	- 2.10	...
Managed Initial	437.30	460.40	+ 1.80	...
-do- Acc	719.60	757.50	+ 2.90	...
Property Initial	187.60	197.50	+ 0.20	...
-do- Acc	308.70	325.00	+ 0.40	...
LIFE ASSOCIATION OF SCOTLAND 113 Dundas Street, Edinburgh EH3 5EB 031 550 5800				
Managed Fund	320.70	337.60	+ 0.80	...
UK Equity	532.70	560.80	+ 3.30	...
Property	275.40	289.90	- 0.10	...
Money Market	241.30	254.00	+ 0.20	...
Fixed Interest	294.30	309.80	+ 0.90	...
Japan	390.00	410.60	-12.70	...
North America	152.00	160.00	+ 3.40	...
International	268.60	282.80	- 0.80	...
European	234.80	247.20	- 1.00	...
Far East	120.30	126.60	- 2.40	...
LONDON LIFE 100 Temple Street, Bristol, BS1 6EA 0272 279179				
Equity	£808.40	...	+ 3.60	...
Fixed Interest	£376.90	...	+ 2.70	...
Property	£343.30	...	+ 0.40	...
Deposit	£277.80	...	+ 0.30	...
Mixed	£529.10	...	+ 0.80	...
Indexed Stock	£201.20	...	+ 0.50	...
International	£258.00	...	- 1.80	...
Equity A	£188.00	...	+ 0.80	...
Fixed Int A	£167.60	...	+ 1.20	...
Property A	£151.30	...	+ 0.20	...
Deposit A	£163.60	...	+ 0.10	...
Mixed A	£174.30	...	+ 0.30	...
Index Stock A	£157.90	...	+ 0.40	...
International A	£161.50	...	- 1.20	...
Equity P	£654.00	...	+ 3.90	...
Fixed Int P	£485.50	...	+ 4.40	...
Property P	£274.40	...	+ 0.40	...
Deposit P	£322.20	...	+ 0.30	...
Mixed P	£477.90	...	+ 0.90	...
Index Stock P	£230.60	...	+ 0.70	...
International P	£292.70	...	- 2.80	...
LONDON & MANCHESTER ASSURANCE Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS. 0392 282456				
Inv Trust Cap	£340.40	...	+ 3.50	...
-do- Acc	£846.80	...	+ 6.20	...
Property Cap	£156.50	...	+ 0.10	...
-do- Acc	£237.70	...	+ 0.20	...
Exd Interest Cap	£194.80	...	+ 1.40	...
-do- Acc	£296.50	...	+ 2.40	...
Equity Cap	£392.10	...	+ 0.30	...
-do- Acc	£460.20	...	+ 0.80	...
Internatl Cap	£223.30	...	- 2.10	...
-do- Acc	£340.30	...	- 2.90	...
Gtd Deposit Cap	£170.10	...	...	...
-do- Acc	£256.30	...	+ 0.10	...
Flexible Cap	£328.10	...	- 0.40	...
-do- Acc	£505.10	...	- 0.20	...
Moneymaker Fd	£397.70	...	+ 0.30	...
Capital Growth	£1465.8	...	+ 0.50	...
M & G Victoria Road, Chelmsford, Essex CM1 1FB 0245 266266				
Amer Bond Acc	384.80	404.10	+ 5.10	...
Amer Rec Bond	433.50	455.40	+ 3.20	...
Am Smlr Cos Bd	210.20	220.90	+ 3.40	...
Australasia Bd	186.30	195.80	+ 6.30	...
Commodity Bond	240.20	252.30	+ 1.40	...
Deposit Bond Acc	345.60	363.00	- 0.30	...
Equity Bond Acc	1272.5	1336.2	+ 9.40	...
European Bd Acc	300.50	315.60	- 2.10	...
Extra Yld Bd Acc	626.20	657.60	+ 5.20	...
Far East Bd Acc	269.30	282.90	- 1.80	...
Gilt Bond Acc	405.60	426.00	+ 4.30	...
Gold Bond Acc	125.50	131.90	- 3.00	...
High Yield Bond	310.80	326.50	+ 3.50	4.18
Index-Lnk Gt Bd	199.60	209.70	+ 0.50	...
International Bd	658.00	691.00	- 3.30	...
Japan Bond Acc	265.10	278.50	-11.00	...
Japan Sm Cos Ac	243.30	255.60	-10.90	...
Managed Bonds	766.70	804.80	- 9.90	...
Prop Bond Acc	298.40	313.40	+ 0.20	...
Rec Bond Acc	655.10	688.00	- 0.40	...
MGM ASSURANCE MGM House, Heene Road, Worthing BN11 2DY. 0903 204631				
UK Equity	208.70	219.70	+ 1.10	...
UK Equity Acc	279.60	294.40	+ 1.60	...
Special Sits	86.20	90.80	+ 0.20	...
Special Sits Acc	115.60	121.70	+ 0.40	...
North American	176.60	185.90	+ 2.60	...
N American Acc	236.80	249.30	+ 3.70	...
Pacific Basin	332.50	350.00	- 3.80	...
Pacific Basin Acc	445.70	469.20	- 4.60	...
Fixed Interest	280.20	295.00	+ 1.60	...
Fixed Interest Acc	376.00	395.80	+ 2.40	...
Property	151.40	159.60	+ 0.10	...
Property Acc	203.40	214.20	+ 0.30	...
Deposit	151.80	159.80	...	...
Deposit Acc	204.10	214.90	...	...
Managed	239.20	251.80	+ 1.00	...
Managed Acc	295.40	311.00	+ 1.30	...
MANULIFE GROUP St Georges Way, Stevenage, Herts 0438 356101				
Managed Fund	631.80	665.00	+ 3.30	...
Property Fund	477.30	502.40	+ 0.40	...
Equity Fund	779.90	820.90	+ 7.50	...
Gilt Edged Fd	564.40	594.10	+ 3.80	...
Deposit Fund	315.10	331.70	+ 0.20	...
Investment Fd	329.60	346.20	+ 3.40	...
International	516.70	543.90	- 2.80	...
MERCHANT INVESTORS 91 Wimpole Street, London W1M 7DA Admin: 0272 266366 Prices: 081 789 2945 or 0272 752297				
Property	394.00	414.70	+ 0.40	...
Equity Bond	307.60	323.70	+ 1.90	...
Money Mrkt Bd	510.90	537.70	+ 4.00	...
Deposit Fund	361.50	380.50	+ 0.30	...
Managed Fund	427.30	449.70	+ 2.10	...
Intl Equity	508.30	535.00	- 0.50	...
Intl Managed	476.50	501.50	+ 0.20	...
North American	195.40	205.60	+ 1.90	...
Far East	386.10	406.40	- 2.90	...
Intl Currency	259.40	273.00	+ 0.10	...
NM LIFE ASSURANCE Enterprise House, Portsmouth 0705 827733				
Equity	131.70	138.60	+ 0.10	...
Fixed Interest	492.20	518.10	+ 2.80	...
Managed	630.50	663.60	...	...
Deposit	323.80	340.80	+ 0.40	...
Property	372.40	392.00	- 0.30	...
American	389.70	410.20	+ 8.50	...
Australian	418.40	440.40	+ 1.70	...
European	451.80	475.50	- 5.80	...
Gilt & Fixed Int	246.10	259.00	+ 0.60	...
Global Managed	127.80	134.50	...	...
Income Acc	687.90	724.10	- 8.50	...
-do- Dist	426.20	448.70	- 7.30	5.17
International	285.40	300.40	- 3.70	...
Japan Smaller	497.00	523.10	-23.80	...
Singapore & Mal	284.20	299.10	- 2.90	...
Smaller Cos	345.60	363.70	-11.60	...
Tokyo Fund	669.30	704.50	-26.10	...
UK Equity	537.10	565.30	- 7.00	...
CCM Vangd Mg	660.30	695.00	+ 1.40	...
Equity Pens Cap	886.90	933.50	+ 0.30	...
NPI 48 Gracechurch Street, London EC3P 3HH 071 623 4200				
Managed	426.80	449.30	+ 1.60	...
UK Equity	528.90	556.80	+ 5.40	...
Overseas Equity	426.40	448.90	- 3.50	...
Americas	379.60	399.60	+ 4.10	...
Far East	471.10	495.90	-17.80	...
Property	195.90	206.20	- 0.50	...
Fixed Interest	339.30	357.20	+ 1.90	...
Indexed Gilt	216.70	228.20	+ 0.80	...
Deposit	206.10	217.00	+ 0.20	...
NORWICH UNION LIFE INSURANCE SOCIETY - Ex NUAM Funds PO Box 148, Norwich NR3 1PP 0603 622200				
Managed Fund	1285.2	1300.2	+ 6.10	...
Eqty Fund	2684.9	2826.2	+22.80	...
Property Fd	446.50	470.00	+ 0.80	...
Fixed Int Fd	557.40	586.70	+ 4.50	...
Deposit Fund	330.00	347.40	+ 0.30	...
Intl Fund	210.60	221.70	- 0.10	...
PEARL ASSURANCE Pearl House, Thorpe Wood, Peterborough PE3 6SA. 0733 63222				
Inv Prop Dist	140.80	148.30	+ 0.20	...
Prop Acc (Gross)	268.10	282.30	+ 0.30	...
Inv Equity	1067.2	1123.4	+ 8.80	...
Inv Managed	743.20	782.30	+ 3.90	...
Ret Managed	817.90	861.00	+ 3.00	...
PROLIFIC LIFE & PENSIONS LTD Stramongate, Kendal, Cumbria LA9 4UB 0539 733733				
Bal Gwth Mngd	701.20	746.00	+ 2.70	...
Cash Fund	322.40	339.80	+ 0.20	...
Property Fund	218.70	232.70	...	...
Equity Fund	805.40	857.00	+ 3.10	...
Fxd Interest Fund	422.40	445.20	- 0.50	...
International	361.70	384.80	+ 0.80	...
High Income	630.00	670.30	+ 3.00	...
Far East	494.40	526.00	- 3.70	...
North American	476.50	507.00	+ 9.90	...
Special Sits	570.60	607.10	+ 2.40	...
Technology	452.80	481.80	+ 6.50	...
Extra Income Fd	339.20	360.90	+ 2.80	...
Gilt Fund	449.40	478.10	+ 0.70	...
European	129.80	138.10	- 0.30	...
Adventurous Mg	185.30	195.10	+ 1.20	...
Secure Mgd	131.90	140.40	+ 0.50	...
Equity Inc Dist	111.40	118.60	+ 0.80	4.75
North American	104.90	111.70	- 0.50	5.44
PROVIDENCE CAPITOL 2 Bartley Way, Hook, Hants RG27 9XA 0256 768888				
Equity Fund Acc	270.00	284.90	+ 2.60	...
Fxd Interest Acc	224.20	236.60	- 1.90	...
International Acc	236.00	249.00	+ 0.70	...
Managed Fund Acc	200.50	211.40	+ 1.20	...
Property Acc	219.70	231.80	+ 0.20	...
Money Acc	147.00	155.10	+ 0.10	...
Spec Mkt Acc	195.60	206.40	- 1.60	...
Japan Equity Acc	122.10	128.90	- 8.70	...
N Amer Acc	180.90	190.20	+ 1.30	...
Pacific Acc	144.30	152.30	- 1.00	...
European Acc	130.80	138.00	+ 0.40	...
PROVIDENT MUTUAL William Road, Hitchin, Herts SG4 0LP 0438 739000				
Managed Ord	417.90	439.90	+ 1.70	...
Managed Initial	295.50	311.10	+ 1.00	...
Equity Ord	626.00	659.00	+ 5.00	...
Equity Init	443.40	466.70	+ 3.20	...
I-Linked Gilt Ord	194.50	204.70	+ 0.60	...
I-Linked Gilt Init	143.70	151.30	+ 0.50	...
Oseas Equity Ord	334.30	351.90	- 1.50	...
Oseas Equity Init	236.50	248.90	- 1.10	...
Property Ord	222.40	234.10	+ 0.30	...
Property Init	160.80	169.30	+ 0.10	...
Fixed Int Ord	261.00	274.70	+ 1.80	...
Fixed Int Init	184.60	194.30	+ 1.10	...
Deposit Ord	196.70	207.10	+ 0.30	...
Deposit Initial	139.10	146.40	...	...
PRUDENTIAL Holborn Bars, London EC1N 2NH 071 405 9222				
Managed	301.30	316.00	+ 1.70	...
PRUDENTIAL INDIVIDUAL LIFE FUNDS 1 Stephen Street, London W1P 2AP 071 548 3728				
Managed Fund	673.80	709.20	+ 3.80	...
Equity Fund	1315.0	1384.2	+12.20	...
Intl Fund	524.20	551.80	- 2.10	...
Fixed Interest	540.50	569.00	+ 4.40	...
Property Fund	376.60	396.50	...	...
Cash Fund	349.10	367.50	+ 0.20	...
Pacific Basin	294.80	310.40	- 4.30	...
N American Fd	209.80	220.90	+ 2.60	...
Euro Fund	221.20	232.90	+ 0.60	...
Balanced Fund	136.00	143.20	+ 0.80	...
Strategic Fund	140.00	147.40	+ 0.30	...
ROYAL HERITAGE LIFE ASSURANCE Peterborough Business Park, Peterborough PE2 6GG. 0733 390000				
Mult Grow (45)	1662.00	...	...	...
-do- Acc	424.00	446.30	...	...
Op Prop	415.30	437.20	- 2.30	...
Op Equity	895.60	942.80	+ 1.80	...
Op High Yield	531.40	559.40	+ 6.30	...
Op Managed	748.40	787.80	+ 1.80	...
Op Deposit	375.00	394.80	...	...
Amer Smaller	...	...	...	...
Extra Inc	...	...	...	...
Gold Gen	...	...	...	...
Inc Gth	287.80	303.00	+10.30	...
Japan Perf	...	...	...	...
Japan Smlr	240.30	253.00	-14.90	...
Natl High	...	...	...	...
Prop Str	...	...	...	...
Managed Gth	233.40	245.70	- 0.20	...
Gilt	76.80	80.80	- 1.10	...
Amer (35,34)	...	...	...	...
British	337.80	355.60	+15.40	...
Global Bond	114.70	120.80	+ 0.80	...
Global (35,34)	151.40	159.40	- 1.40	...
Gold Share	66.10	69.60	+ 0.80	...
High Income	274.40	288.90	+ 1.40	...
Income	398.90	419.90	+ 3.30	...
Japan	416.30	438.20	-19.10	...
UK Smlr Cos	296.50	312.20	+ 2.40	...
Mngd Growth	410.30	431.90	+ 1.90	...
ROYAL LIFE INSURANCE New Hall Place, Liverpool L69 3HS 051 239 3000				
Royal Shield Fd	871.90	922.60	+ 1.80	...
Royal Life Unit Linked				
Managed Fund	348.90	367.20	+ 0.70	...
Equity Fund	474.50	499.40	+ 1.60	...
Property Fund	254.00	267.30	...	...
International	415.40	437.20	- 0.70	...
Pacific Basin	261.90	275.60	- 2.40	...
United States	220.40	231.90	+ 0.50	...
Gilt Fund	332.80	350.30	+ 2.60	...
SAVE & PROSPER 16-22 Western Road, Romford, Essex RM1 3LB. 0708 766966				
Bal Inv Fund	672.20	711.40	+ 1.80	...
Deposit Fund (2)	350.60	371.10	+ 0.30	...
Gilt Fund	476.10	503.90	+ 3.20	...
Global Equity Fd	205.70	217.70	- 0.90	...
Property Fund (48)	89.40	94.70	...	...
AG Bond Fund	139.50	147.70	...	...
SCOTTISH AMICABLE 150 St Vincent Street, Glasgow 041 248 2323				
Equity	509.20	536.00	+ 0.50	...
Fixed Interest	337.90	355.70	+ 2.40	...
Index-Linked	186.30	196.20	+ 0.90	...
International	398.40	419.40	- 4.90	...
Property	239.40	252.00	...	...
Cash	220.10	231.70	+ 0.10	...
Managed	406.10	427.50	- 0.80	...
Cap Gteed Bd	100.30	105.80	+ 0.80	...
SCOTTISH EQUITABLE 28 St Andrew Square, Edinburgh EH2 1YF 031 556 9101				
Cash	172.64	181.73	+ 0.14	...
Index-Linked	151.40	159.40	- 0.60	...
Fixed Interest	169.00	177.90	+ 0.70	...
Mixed	225.50	237.30	- 0.60	...
UK Equity	215.50	226.80	+ 1.10	...
International	225.50	237.30	- 3.70	...
American	236.40	248.90	+ 3.20	...
Japan	239.10	251.70	-12.30	...
European	207.70	218.70	- 2.60	...
Pacific	317.00	333.70	- 3.90	...
Technology	301.70	317.60	- 0.20	...
Currncy/Cmmdy	221.30	232.90	+ 2.00	...
SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS 19 St Andrew Square, Edinburgh EH2 1YE 031 225 2211				
Property	174.60	183.80	+ 0.30	...
UK Equity	320.50	337.30	+ 1.20	...
American	231.10	243.40	+ 4.90	...
Pacific	305.00	321.10	-10.70	...
European	400.70	421.90	- 2.50	...
International	273.40	287.80	- 2.10	...
Fixed Interest	227.40	239.50	+ 0.70	...
Index Linked	187.70	197.60	+ 0.20	...
Deposit	184.70	194.40	+ 0.30	...
Managed	255.70	269.20	- 0.10	...
Worldwide	110.30	116.20	+ 0.10	...
Pen Worldwide	115.10	121.20	+ 0.20	...
SCOTTISH MUTUAL ASSURANCE 109 St Vincent Street, Glasgow G2 5HN 041 248 6321				
Flex Fund (38)	1475.1	1520.7	+38.40	...
Safety Fund	217.10	228.60	+ 1.70	...
Growth Fund	206.80	217.70	+ 0.80	...
Opportunity Fd	204.90	215.70	+ 0.80	...
Cash Fund	166.50	175.30	+ 0.10	...
European Fund	298.00	314.80	- 2.60	...
Gilts & Fxd Int	190.00	199.70	+ 3.20	...
Index-Linked Fd	174.20	183.40	+ 0.70	...
International Fd	255.70	269.20	- 0.40	...
North American	223.40	237.20	+ 4.80	...
Property Fund	114.90	121.00	- 0.10	...
UK Equity	218.80	230.40	+ 0.70	...
UK Smaller	201.10	211.70	+ 1.20	...
SCOTTISH PROVIDENT 6 St Andrews Square, Edinburgh EH2 2YA 031 556 9181				
Mixed	238.60	251.20	+ 1.00	...
Equity	252.70	265.70	+ 2.10	...
International	248.30	261.50	+ 0.10	...
Property	195.20	205.60	+ 0.20	...
Fixed Interest	207.40	218.50	+ 1.50	...
Index Linked	172.00	181.20	+ 0.60	...
Cash	179.20	188.70	+ 0.10	...
SCOTTISH WIDOWS PO Box 902, Edinburgh EH16 5BU 031 655 6000				
Inv Pol 1	847.50	847.50	+ 1.60	...
Inv Pol 2	773.00	813.80	- 1.50	...
Inv Pol 3	744.20	783.50	- 1.50	...
Inv Cash	298.30	314.10	+ 0.30	...
Mixed Fund	406.30	427.90	+ 0.30	...
Equity Fund	478.20	503.50	+ 1.30	...
Property Fund	203.80	214.60	+ 0.20	...
International Fd	422.10	444.40	- 2.90	...
Fixed Interest Fd	347.50	365.60	+ 3.50	...
Indexed Stock Fd	189.60	199.70	+ 0.80	...
Cash Fund	217.30	228.60	+ 0.10	...
SKANDIA LIFE Skandia House, Portland Terrace, Southampton SO9 7BX 0703 334411				
Managed Acc	336.50	354.20	- 1.70	...
Equity Acc	380.10	400.10	...	...
International Acc	313.00	329.40	- 2.80	...
Property	206.20	217.00	+ 0.20	...
Royal Trust Mg	215.20	226.50	- 0.30	...
STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE CO 3 George Street, Edinburgh EH2 2XZ 031 225 2552				
Cash	256.70	270.30	+ 0.20	...
Equity	890.70	937.60	+ 4.20	...
European	140.50	147.90	- 1.60	...
Far East	149.90	157.80	- 2.30	...
Fixed Interest	370.10	389.60	+ 2.60	...
Index Linked	197.20	207.60	+ 0.90	...
International	540.90	569.40	- 4.70	...
Managed	623.30	656.20	+ 0.80	...
Nth American	138.40	145.70	+ 1.20	...
Property	307.60	323.80	+ 0.30	...
Pensions				
Cash	393.70	414.50	+ 0.40	...
Equity	1258.9	1325.2	+ 9.70	...
European	166.20	175.00	- 1.00	...
Far East	117.60	123.80	- 2.30	...
Fixed Interest	493.70	519.70	+ 4.50	...
Index Linked	272.80	287.20	+ 1.20	...
International	753.10	792.80	- 5.10	...
Managed	859.20	904.50	+ 3.40	...
Nth American	172.60	181.70	+ 3.30	...
Property	387.90	408.40	+ 0.40	...
Stock Exchange	194.20	204.50	+ 0.80	...
SUN ALLIANCE St Mark's Court, Horsham, Sussex 0403 232323				
Managed Fund	579.20	609.70	+ 1.80	...
Equity Fund	774.00	814.80	+ 5.60	...
Fixed Interest Fd	389.30	409.80	+ 2.60	...
Index-Linked Fd	290.90	306.30	+ 1.00	...
Property Fund	414.70	436.60	+ 0.60	...
International Fd	357.30	386.70	- 2.90	...
N American Fd	214.40	225.70	+ 4.40	...
Far East Fund	194.50	204.80	- 0.50	...
Deposit Fund	281.00	295.80	+ 0.30	...
International Bd	£475.32	...	- 0.82	...
Worldwide Bond	157.30	165.60	+ 1.90	...
Worldwide Fincl	78.80	83.00	...	...
Worldwide Tech	93.70	98.70	+ 0.10	...
European	137.40	144.70	+ 0.90	...
Phoenix Assurance				
Wealth Assured	569.90	600.00	+ 0.20	...
Ebor Phoenix Eq	393.70	423.90	...	...
Property Growth				
Property Fund	£474.00	...	+ 0.60	...
-do- Acc	£444.70	...	+ 0.90	...
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Abbey Nat Acc	£403.60	...	+ 0.40	...
Investment Fd	£306.20	...	+ 0.80	...
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Equity Fund Acc	465.90	490.40	+ 1.10	...
Prop Fund Acc	220.30	231.80	+ 0.20	...
Fixed Int Fd Acc	283.00	297.90	+ 2.00	...
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Index-Lnk Sec Ac	197.60	208.00	...	...
Pens Pens Acct	£1651.5	...	+10.30	...
Pens Mngd Acct	767.90	808.40	+ 5.10	...
Pens Guarantee	222.50	234.20	+ 0.70	...
Pens Equity	292.40	307.80	+ 3.20	...
Pens Property	236.50	248.90	+ 0.50	...
Pens Fixed Int	254.60	268.00	+ 2.60	...
Pens Intl	217.00	228.40	- 1.20	...
Pens Money	222.40	234.10	+ 0.30	...
Pens Index-Lnkd	185.70	195.40	+ 0.30	...
SUN LIFE UNIT St James Barton, Bristol BS99 7SL 0272 426911				
Managed Acc	790.80	832.50	- 0.40	...
Property Acc	295.90	311.50	- 0.10	...
Equity Acc	1288.5	1356.4	+ 4.40	...
Fixed Int Acc	364.30	383.50	+ 3.90	...
Index-Linked Acc	195.10	205.40	+ 0.90	...
Cash Acc	294.70	310.50	+ 0.30	...
Amer Equity Acc	331.50	349.00	+ 2.10	...
Japan Acc	301.10	317.00	-11.40	...
Pacific Acc	288.00	303.20	- 6.30	...
Far Eastern Acc	696.50	733.20	-20.20	...
International Acc	497.80	524.00	- 7.60	...
Distribution Fund	269.90	284.20	+ 2.10	4.60
European	156.00	165.20	- 0.10	...
TSB LIFE LTD Charlton Place, Andover, Hants, SP10 1RE 0264 345678				
Managed Fund	255.40	268.90	+ 1.30	...
Property Fund	181.10	190.70	...	...
Fixed Interest Fd	209.00	220.00	+ 1.10	...
Money Fund	190.60	200.70	+ 0.20	...
Equity Fund	332.60	350.20	+ 2.00	...
TARGET LIFE The Exchange, 66 High Street, Aylesbury, Bucks. 0296 394000				
Deposit	239.00	251.70	+ 0.20	...
Financial Ser 1	40.80	43.80	+ 0.70	...
Fixed Interest	314.70	331.30	+ 0.70	...
Gold	77.60	81.70	- 2.10	...
Managed	547.60	576.50	+ 1.90	...
Mngd Growth	170.80	179.80	- 0.30	...
Mngd Opp	178.60	188.10	- 0.70	...
Property	251.60	264.90	...	...
Residential Prop	91.70	96.60	...	...
TSB American	189.90	199.90	+ 4.90	...
TSB Brit Gwth	732.70	771.30	+ 6.90	...
TSB European	234.70	247.10	+ 2.40	...
TSB Income	353.50	372.20	+ 4.60	...
TSB Intl	377.50	397.40	- 0.70	...
TSB Intl Inc	272.50	286.90	+ 2.10	...
TSB Pacific	345.70	363.90	+ 2.10	...
TSB Prem Inc	240.50	251.40	+ 1.80	...

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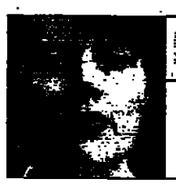
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Dunbar salesman goes too far



COMMENT

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The Financial Services Act has the effect of gagging newspaper journalists who are asked for their personal advice on investment products. We are not allowed to advise on the merits of a particular fund or investment group unless it is in print.

Now, it cannot have been this restraint that made one Allied Dunbar salesman suggest to a doubting client that he telephone *The Times* or *Sunday Times* for confirmation that it had the best investment performance. There was no qualification about over what period of time or in which investment category. Allied Dunbar is a big group, and while its investment performance has been improving recently, it is not the group that springs to financial journalists' minds when making a recommendation.

The salesman waxed lyrical about the endorsement that would be given for his products. Even if he was unaware of the restrictions of the Financial Services Act on journalists he was probably an expert on human nature. He knows the vast majority of customers would regard his recommendation to ring a quality national newspaper as sufficient endorsement. He probably also suspects the few who try to call a newspaper will not get through to anyone who knows anything about Allied Dunbar's performance record even if they had the time to give advice and were allowed to.

The call came hot on the heels of another worry about Allied Dunbar sales techniques. In this case the salesman, who was the tied agent of the company, and under the Financial Services Act can only sell its products, made a virtue of this limit. He told the customer he had researched the whole industry and chose Allied Dunbar because it was best — he did not say whether this was a reference to the amount he would be paid. But being self-employed he could move to another company tomorrow if he thought it was better. Not without repaying the commission he received for policies that were later cancelled, he couldn't. It is also not a very comforting thought for investors that the salesman may not be there to provide back up or to be questioned by the company, the Life Assurance and Unit Trust Regulatory Organisation or the insurance ombudsman should there be a dispute about what was actually promised at the point of sale.

Allied Dunbar says it has very strict guidelines on what can or cannot be said to customers by salesmen. This does not include suggesting telephoning national newspapers for endorsements. It feels its investment performance over the short and medium terms has held up well against the competition, but accepts as all investment houses must, that the value of life funds can go down as well as up.

The two instances show how impossible it is to control what is said by salesmen when they scent that a client is wavering and may draw back from signing up for their wonder whizz bang product and the commission that is earned with it. Sins of commission are not only committed by tied agents or the direct sales forces of insurance companies. Giving the impression that they are independent spirits when, in fact, they are tied, may be limited to a few rogues. There is sufficient confusion among investors about the status of salesmen without it and this needs clarifying quickly. Maybe clients should tape record the sales pitch. They then have a record of the proceedings, in case there is a dispute and in extremis could send it to the regulator.

Mexican wait

SAVING a few pence by mailing out overseas bills from Honduras has a second windfall benefit for Barclaycard: the statements arrive so late that interest is automatically incurred by the customers in far flung parts of the world. One reader, who is based in Mexico, objects to the fact that his March bill did not arrive until well into June. Previously the company used cheap bulk mailing from Amsterdam and the delays were also long enough to make it impossible to pay on time.

Ordinary letters from Britain take seven to ten days and the customer wonders why his bills cannot be despatched using British stamps along with those destined for home-based customers.

Barclaycard has 100,000 customers who live abroad. Only a small proportion are mailed from Honduras. This route for mailings is now being reviewed. Barclaycard admits it has had few teething problems since it started its new mailing system in February. All oversees mailings first of all go to another country for despatch. The customer has now been refunded the interest.

When first asked about the delays a spokeswoman said there had also been a cholera outbreak in Mexico City. Oh well, that makes a delay of more than two months understandable then.

Nationwide rapped for second time over rates

Sara McConnell says the building societies ombudsmen are getting tougher over investors being treated unfairly

JOHN MANNING



Prepared to act again: Stephen Edell, the ombudsman

STEPHEN Edell, the building societies ombudsman, this week gave hope to thousands of investors trapped in accounts paying low rates and unable to move their money because of punitive withdrawal conditions.

For the first time, a big building society, the Nationwide, has been forced to compensate 33 investors because it had treated them unfairly over the interest on their savings. Nationwide said it had compensated about 30 more investors after the ombudsman's ruling. Building societies were warned the ombudsmen would not hesitate over similar decisions in future.

This is the second time in two years Nationwide has been required by the ombudsman to compensate investors. Last year it had to make a payment to customers in an instant-access account that had been closed to new investors after the ombudsman decided the society had not given them enough information on the difference in rates between their obsolete accounts and the society's recently launched one.

The ombudsman also received "floods of complaints" in 1991 from Nationwide customers unhappy at being held in an obsolete 90-day notice account for 90 days when the new Brighter Horizons 90-day account was paying a better rate. In these cases, the ombudsman ruled they must wait 90 days before moving their money.

Mr Eell and his fellow ombudsman Brian Murphy, said their latest decision did not mean they had "established themselves as arbiters on the interest rates that building societies pay their savers but the [Building Societies Ombudsman] Council nevertheless suggests the building societies should view this as a warning. Interest rates policies of societies are certainly outside the ombudsmen's terms of reference but complaints about the unfairness of application of those interest rates to individuals are not."

The affected Nationwide investors put their money into the second issue of the society's two-year Platinum bond, which had a £10,000 minimum investment. When the bond was launched in February 1990, it paid 11.85 per cent net of composite rate tax, a better rate than any of its other accounts. The rate went up to 12 per cent in March and stayed there until October. The bond was closed to new investors in April 1990. After October, the rate fell. By February 1992, the rate on the Platinum bond had fallen to 6.9 per cent net of basic rate tax. This was less than the 7.2 per cent net investors with between £10,000 and £25,000 could have got in the Capitalbuilder 90-day notice account. Even the Nationwide's Cash Builder instant-access account was paying 6.98 per cent net.

> 'The ideal way to inform investors would be to write to them'

The ombudsman said in this case the question of whether societies had made information about rates on both obsolete and existing accounts "reasonably accessible" was irrelevant. The "reasonably accessible" test was first applied last year to gauge whether building societies were giving savers the necessary details about accounts to make an informed choice. Mr Edell said: "The investors were fully aware of the return they were receiving at all times but were unable to do anything about it because they had no access to the last £10,000 of their investment during the life of the bond and could only withdraw the remainder by paying a penalty of 90 days' interest without the option of giving notice."

The ombudsman ordered the Nationwide to pay compensation of between £9.83 and £1,400 to 33 investors, based on the difference between the rate they would have got on the 90-day account and the rate they actually got. The Nationwide used the same formula to compensate another 30 investors. "It is common practice across all societies that currently available products are more keenly priced than those no longer available. It was never our intention to lock people into the bond," said Nationwide.

Since the ombudsmen's first ruling on Nationwide accounts in January 1992, the society has allowed savers in notice accounts to transfer without penalty to another paying a better rate, as long as their original account has been discontinued. It is writing to investors in notice accounts to tell them they can transfer to the new InvestDirect postal account without having to give notice or pay a penalty. It has also set up a freephone helpline to give out information about rates.

The society rejected allegations that it had been guilty of a practice known in the industry as "harnessing". By this method, societies tempt investors into bonds and other long term investments with high initial rates. Sometimes these are fixed for the first six or nine months of the term. The account is closed to new investors, so the society has no incentive to keep rates competitive. Rates are then allowed to slip but investors normally have to give a long period of notice or pay big penalties to get at their money. In some cases they cannot withdraw their savings during the bond's life.

Complaints about interest rates on investment accounts again topped the list of cases dealt with by the ombudsmen this year. At 610, the number of such cases dealt with was almost eight times that of any other classification.

Typically investors complained that they had not been told their account had been replaced with another paying better rates. Mr Edell and Mr Murphy said the ideal way for societies to keep investors informed would be to write to them. But press advertisements, notices in branches, leaflets and information from branch staff are all ways for societies to pass the "reasonably accessible" test. Leaflets should be available on the customer's side of the counter Press advertisements should give rates on closed accounts, not merely invite investors to make further enquiries.

In one case rejected by the ombudsman, an investor deposited about £50,000 in an ordinary share account. The rate was not tiered. His society then introduced a new instant-access account with tiered rates. If the saver had transferred his investment to the new account he would have got a much better rate. The rate actually paid to him was, however, higher than the rate offered by the society on the lowest tier of its new account. The ombudsmen concluded that the society had made the rates on the ordinary share account "reasonably accessible" and that it was comparable to rates offered by other societies.

Fimbra calls for back-up under weight of complaints

THE financial intermediaries, managers and brokers regulatory association (Fimbra) is to call in 17 more independent arbitrators to handle a growing number of complaints.

Richard Cockroft, Fimbra's director of practice, said 99 complaints had been referred to arbitration in the first quarter of this year alone, against 259 for the whole of 1992.

Under the arbitration scheme, set up in 1991, investors with a complaint against a Fimbra-registered firm can submit it to an independent arbitrator who will hear written or oral evidence from both sides. The arbitrator has the power to order firms to compensate investors.

Concern has been mounting over the long delays inflicted on some investors who take their cases to arbitration. At the moment, Fimbra's panel of arbitrators, supplied by the Institute of Arbitrators, numbers only 13.

Keith Woodley, the independent claims commissioner overseeing Fimbra's handling of complaints against its members and itself, warned in his annual report this week: "Change will be necessary if the present arrangements are not producing speedy and inexpensive conclusions to disputes."

Since the scheme started, 355 cases have been referred to the arbitrators. Of these, 259 were referred in 1992, nearly triple the number of the year before. In the year to December 1992, 159 cases were concluded, with compensation in 81 claims, 59 claims failed and the rest were either outside the scheme's terms of reference, withdrawn or abandoned. At the beginning of this year, 175 cases were still being investigated.



Cockcroft: "problem trend"

Mr Woodley described as a "*sinister development*" the increasing tendency for Fimbra-regulated independent financial advisers to bring in solicitors to represent them. He said: "In at least one case, this frightened away the complainant and in all but exceptional circumstances would seem far removed from the original concept of the scheme."

The idea behind the arbitration scheme is that neither side should normally need to be legally represented and that the arbitrator should be able to make a decision on written evidence only. Legal Aid is not available for taking cases to arbitration.

Mr Woodley was also concerned at delays experienced by many elderly investors who had been sold home income plans by Fimbra-registered financial advisers. A total of 332 complaints was made about sales of such plans last year, and the sheer volume of cases was part of *the reason for the delays. But* Mr Woodley said "The overall arrangements for redress and compensation are falling short of effective investor protection".

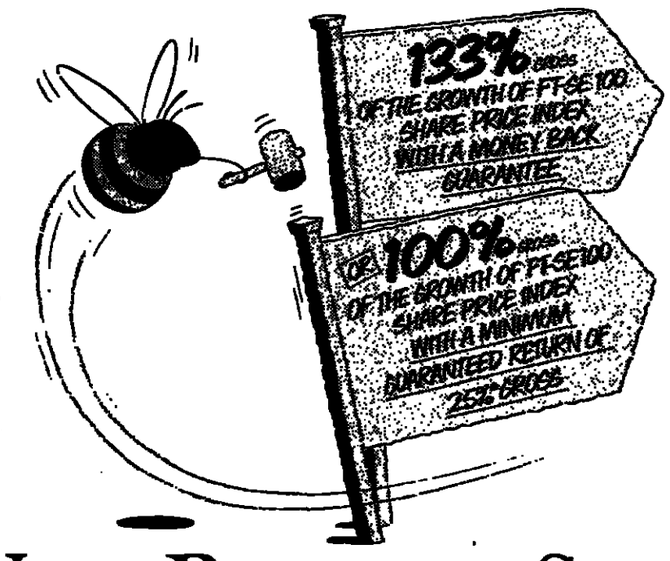
The Securities and Investments Board (SIB) said last week only a handful of cases had been settled through the "one stop shop" system set up to help deal with complaints, channelling them through Fimbra.

Building societies had proved particularly reluctant to accept responsibility for offering mortgages to elderly people on fixed incomes. The building societies ombudsmen this week attacked restrictions on their powers, which mean they could only normally deal with home income plan cases if the building societies themselves agreed, because they are outside the ombudsmen's terms of reference.

The building societies ombudsmen are to present a paper next month to the Building Societies Ombudsman Company, which has the power to extend the ombudsmen's jurisdiction.

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Centrebank says sorry with cash

CENTREBANK, the telephone banking arm of the Bank of Scotland, put its money where its mouth is this week, promising customers of its new high-interest cheque account that it will credit their accounts with at least £10 if the bank makes a mistake (Sara McConnell writes).

Delays in setting up accounts, sending out cheque books or paying over *standing orders are the types of mistakes* which would normally qualify for a payout, said Keith Isles, chief manager of Centrebank. Failing to act on a customer's instructions or failing to acknowledge correspondence within three working days of receipt could also trigger a payment.

The exact level of payout will depend on the seriousness of the mistake but if the bank concedes an error, compensation will not fall below £10. Mr Isles said the offer of compensation was Centrebank's own initiative rather than the Bank of Scotland's. He said: "We believe we have a good level of customer service already. We are not saying that we won't make mistakes but we want to show customers we are determined to offer good service."

Centrebank was relaunched in March. For the cost of a local telephone call, customers can get a balance, transfer funds between accounts at home and abroad, pay bills, initiate stock exchange transactions, dealing with standing orders, direct debits and changes of address. From 21 June, lines will be open from 8 am to 8pm Monday to Thursday, 8 am to 5pm on Friday, 9 am to 1 pm on Saturday and noon to 4 pm on Sunday. The bank has a high-interest cheque account with no charges on credit balances and an investment account.

Sending gifts to wronged customers is generally the prerogative of individual managers at more traditional high street banks. Contrite Lloyds and Barclays branch managers have been known to send a bouquet of flowers to customers or pay for them to have a meal out, after making mistakes such as failing to pay over standing orders, one of the most common errors banks commit. Lloyds said: "It is a token to say, "Sorry we made a mistake."

Leaseholders' hopes dashed

MORE long leaseholders wanting to buy their freeholds had their hopes dashed this week when parliament accepted amendments to proposed legislation, which impose an extra residence test on those wishing to become freeholders. (Sara McConnell writes).

The amendment, inserted in the renamed Leasehold Reform, Housing and Urban Development Bill by the House of Lords, was one of a number accepted in the House of Commons on Monday. Under the amendment, flatowners would only be able to buy the freehold of their block if half the tenants wanting to buy had lived there for 12 months or more, or for periods amounting to three years in the last 10 years. Supporters of leasehold reform fear the additional hurdle imposed this week will disenfranchise many who would have qualified under the original proposals, despite the government's claim that it will not affect many blocks. Many who still qualify, even with the amendment, could lose their right to buy because others in their block fail the new residence test. The new restriction could disenfranchise leaseholders who have been forced to move out of their homes but have not been able to sell.



Sir George: declared policy

Ron Armstrong, the Building Societies Association chief legal officer, said even if the government's prediction was correct, disenfranchising anyone who would otherwise have qualified was a matter for concern. "The number of enfranchisees will be less."

The new restriction adds to existing ones already sharply criticised for excluding a big minority of leaseholders from benefiting from the reforms. Those living in blocks where more than a third of the flats are rented do not qualify. Neither do those who have a property where more than 10 per cent of the floorspace is taken up by shops or other commercial premises. Conversions of older houses with four or fewer flats and a resident landlord are excluded. Even where residents do qualify, two- thirds of flatowners must agree to become freeholders.

Thousands of leaseholders with ground rents set at more than two-thirds of the rateable value of the property (or for leases granted after April 1 1990, £1,000 in London and £250 elsewhere) will not qualify. They lost a long battle in the Commons and the Lords to have this restriction removed. Leaseholders who qualify will have the right to buy their freehold, even if the freeholder does not want to sell.

Sir George Young, housing, inner cities and construction minister, said the reason for the amendment was to "prevent a majority of non-resident long leaseholders from purchasing their landlords' interests. Our declared policy is that flat owners should be able to gain ownership and control of their blocks".

Staff 'must push for more say over pension trustees'

By Sara McConnell

EMPLOYEES in company pension schemes must press harder for the right to have a say in appointing trustees, Clark Whitehall, the chartered accountant, said this week.

The findings of the firm's annual survey of pension schemes show that nearly half the schemes surveyed gave members no say in the appointment of trustees, who were chosen solely by the employer. The survey this year concentrated on smaller schemes with assets of between £1 million and £50 million. Replies were received from 67 schemes with more than 100,000 members.

The majority of schemes (62 per cent) had one single corporate trustee. Of these, employers had the sole authority for appointing and removing trustees in 42 per cent of cases. A further 28 per cent of schemes declined to reveal how their trustees were appointed, while in the remaining 30 per cent of schemes, members nominiated between half and one third of the directors of the corporate trustees.

Of the 38 per cent of schemes which were administered by individual trustees, 45 per cent had no trustees other than directors or senior employees of the employer. The other 55 per cent of such schemes had representatives of both employers and members. Employees in these schemes generally accounted for between one half and one third of the total number of trustees. Only 5 per cent of all the schemes surveyed had appointed an independent trustee to safeguard members' interests.

After being appointed, the trustees of one scheme in six meet less frequently than twice a year. Quarterly meetings are held by 80 per cent of trustees.

> **'Only 5 per cent of the schemes had appointed an independent trustee'**

Members of 37 per cent of schemes received a summary report giving them financial information about their scheme, but had to ask specifically for a full report and accounts. However, 24 per cent of schemes provide no summary report for their members and only provide a full report if asked specifically. Full reports but no summaries were provided by 39 per cent of schemes.

Summary reports were often presented in the form of a newsletter but also appeared to be used as a propaganda tool in the hands of many employers, said Clark Whitehall. "These newsletters rely heavily on graphs, charts and diagrams to communicate financial information and are often written in a very simple and direct style. Such reports may be less off-putting for pension scheme members who are not used to reading conventional financial reports. However many of these reports appeared to be conceived largely as a propaganda tool to explain the virtues of the scheme and to emphasise the member's generosity."

Legislation should be introduced governing the contents and distribution of summary reports said Clark Whitehall. Although the vast majority had included information about the income and expenditure account and the investment portfolio in their summary reports, only 33 per cent included any actuarial statement and only 35 per cent a statement of net assets.

Zahir Fazal, partner in charge of regulatory matters at Clark Whitehall said: "Pension scheme members deserve as much protection as company shareholders. Companies have to file their accounts at Companies House and I believe that pension schemes should similarly be made to file accounts with a regulatory body. I also believe employees should seek increased representation among pension scheme trustees."

He added "Many schemes rely on summarised information to report to their memebers. The government should set guidelines or the contents of these summary reports and they should be distributed to all scheme members. Pension scheme auditors should be asked to confirm that the information they contain is accurate, that the information has been correctly extracted from the full report and whether or not their report on the full annual report was qualified."

Pensioners face far worse than Maxwell

EMPLOYEES face more risk of an impoverished old age through not putting enough money into their pensions than from an employer like Robert Maxwell plundering the fund, according to a guide from the Consumers' Association (Lindsay Cook writes).

The *Which? Guide to Pensions* says that despite the plight of the Maxwell pensioners, pension scheme trustees being taken to court, tales of salespeople luring clients into unsuitable plans and advisers absconding with pensioners's savings, the vast majority of schemes are run quietly and efficiently and do a very important job.

Jonquil Lowe, the author, does however warn people investing in pension plans to do their homework. The Investors Compensation Scheme provided a limited degree of recompense if things went wrong, but no law could stop a really determined fraudster.

Investors should therefore work out their needs and make sure they have the necessary information for salesmen. This includes a recent pay slip, a forecast of their state pension, and the details of any occupational scheme of which they are a member.



Inflated risk: Maxwell campaigners

Pension problems are rarely simple, so it is important to consult two or three advisers, rather than one. Before dealing with anyone it is important to check through the Securities and Investments Board register on 071 929 3652 that he or she is authorised to sell pensions.

Customers should ask whether the adviser charges fees or how much commission he or she will receive and should avoid salesmen who do not ask enough questions. It is important to get everything in writing and to make notes of telephone calls. Details of meetings should be confirmed in a follow-up letter. Money should not be paid directly to an adviser, it should go to the pension provider, and all brochures, notes etc should be kept on file.

The guide points out that the state pension will not provide enough income for a good standard of living. The earlier that saving for retirement starts the better. Women face special difficulties in building up a pension because they tend to earn less than men and to be in pensionable work for fewer years. It also says who can help tackle problems with state, company or personal pensions.

The guide costs £9.99 and is available from the Subscriptions Department, Consumers' Association, PO Box 44, Hertford X, SG14 1SH.

The Halifax is to reduce charges on its Maxim current account for honouring the payments of customers with unauthorised overdrafts. Customers will pay £10 for the first transaction and £3 for each subsequent transaction in the same month instead of £10 per transaction as now. The Halifax will charge £10 a month for accounts continuously overdrawn throughout the month and £5 a month for accounts with an authorised overdraft limit who go more than £50 overdrawn. There will be no charge for use of overdrafts of £50 or less.

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☐ Householders who have appealed against their council tax bills are being asked to provide details of their experience. Council Tax Legal Services (CTLS) of London wants to update its guide to appeals, Cutting Your Council Tax. CTLS can be contacted at PO Box 2764, London E9 7EJ. Copies of the existing guide are available at £6.25 inc postage and packing.

☐ Waters Lumniss, the Norwich broker owned by the Norwich and Peterborough building society is offering cheap dealing in Northern Ireland Electricty shares. It will charge a flat 1 per cent commission on the first £5,000 and 0.1 per cent thereafter with a minimum of £12.50. Dealing starts on Monday.

☐ The Royal Bank of Scotland has a capped mortgage with a maximum rate of 7.99 per cent for the next three years. The £295 arrangement fee falls to £245 if insurance is taken out through the bank. There is a penalty of three months' interest if the mortgage is redeemed before June 15 1996.

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A&L caught out over cheaper loan

BY LINDSAY COOK

APPLYING for a cheaper loan appears to have cost one couple their creditworthiness. Hector Soutter applied to Alliance & Leicester Finance, a subsidiary of the fourth largest society, for a £3,000 personal loan. But before the cheque arrived he saw an Alliance & Leicester leaflet in a car magazine offering the same loan at a cheaper rate.

Not wishing to pay more than necessary for the loan to pay for a visit to his in-laws in Manila, Mr Soutter telephoned Alliance & Leicester, who helpfully calculated the lower payments at an annual percentage rate of 18.6 per cent, compared with 19.4 per cent. He was then advised to return the cheque when it arrived and start again with his application.

This he did, but less than a month later the application review department wrote to him turning down his application, suggesting "if you were to re-apply in 12 months, the decision may be different".

Mr Soutter said: "There has been absolutely no change in my circumstances between the two applications. My mortgage has two years to go, my wife works for the National Savings Bank and I have been driving a bus for a local company for 36 years. We have no debts and we have a good credit record, having paid off a car loan.

"If this happened to someone less stable than us they might be upset. We can go elsewhere. We felt they could be trying to punish us for trying to get a cheaper loan." It seemed strange to the couple that in assessing their creditworthiness the company felt they would not be able to meet the lower payments but could afford the higher ones.

The first application form stated that it was offering a 2 per cent discount for those who agreed to make payments by direct debit. This reduced the rate from 21.4 per cent APR to 19.4 per cent. Mr Soutter agreed to the payments being taken directly from his bank account and also to take out personal loan protection.

The two loan brochures were virtually identical inviting applications for loans to pay for a new car or a holiday. The first proclaimed "new lower rates" on the front and the second "even lower rates".

A spokeswoman said quite a lot of people applied for loans then saw a cheaper rate advertised and reapplied successfully. In this case there had been an administrative error, she said. "It should not have happened, our wrists are duly slapped and we are making sure it won't happen again. It was certainly nothing to do with the rate — there is no way we would lose a customer for the sake of a few pounds." Mr Soutter has now been offered a further discount as a goodwill gesture and an apology.

Other applicants for loans to improve their homes may find they are turned down if they want them to be secured on their homes. The fall in house prices and tighter lending criteria mean their loans would exceed the new limits. However, these limits do not always apply to unsecured personal loans. This means lenders may have to refuse a loan at the mortgage rate of 7.99 per cent but can accept one for an unsecured loan at more than double the rate.

In one case, an application form for a more expensive personal loan was included in the secured loan rejection.



Turned down: Hector and Victoria Soutter were refused loan at a lower interest rate

BT shareholders must go shopping

SHAREHOLDERS in BT who were automatically registered for the current sale of shares, which takes place next month, may find that they are not eligible for the larger allocations being promised to those who register through share shops if they do not act soon (Lindsay Cook writes).

They may also not realise that buying shares in the separate retail tender to put in a tax-free personal equity plan needs to be done through a broker.

The terms of the sale were announced on Monday by Stephen Dorrell, financial secretary to the Treasury. About 2.4 million shareholders and employees received letters at the end of May telling them that they were automatically registered for BT3. Those who read the dense type down to paragraph six would have seen that a share shop offered a better deal.

However, share shops fear that only a small percentage of the 2.4 million have also registered with a share shop. Some may be planning to do so in the next two weeks, but others could be unaware that they need to do anything else.

Gavin Oldham, chief executive of the Share Centre, said it was unfortunate that the automatic registration letter sent to existing BT shareholders may have led them to believe their needs were already met. "Greater preference for share shop registrants is a key element in the government's push for deeper share ownership, and it is most important that BT shareholders should not lose out on these opportunities," he said.

In the past investors have complained that the privatisation offers have left them with small holdings of shares that are little use in investment terms. The retail tender is intended to help long-term investors to get a worthwhile number of shares. Those who apply do not get bonus shares or discounts on the second and third instalments, but they are guaranteed a favourable allocation and will be able to transfer the shares into a personal equity plan free of charge.

The minimum application for personal equity plans in the retail tender will be 1,000 shares and the maximum will be 2,000. For other applicants in the retail tender the minimum will be 2,000. The minimum application for the public offer is 120 shares.

Existing shareholders and employees who want to register with a share shop must quote their registration number which was on their letter. The Share Information Office on 081 200 3000 has records of the numbers.

The first instalment for the shares will be 150p. The second is 140p, payable in March next year and the third instalment due in October next year will depend on the price institutions agree to pay for the shares.

☐ Investors allocated shares in BT3 will be able to sell them for a £9.75 flat fee through the National & Provincial (Sara McConnell writes). The society, which is acting as a share shop in the sell-off, is offering a post only service. Dealing starts on July 19. Up to three additional family members can deal in BT3 for an extra £2.50 each. Those wishing to deal do not have to be registered with N & P. The society also offers instant telephone dealing, charging a minimum of £20 commission, to members of its Stocktel dealing service.



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Ordinary Dep A/c: Typical	0.38	0.38	0.30	1,000	7 day	——
Fixed Term Deposits: Barclays	3.88	3.88	2.93	25,000-50,000	1 mth	071-626 1567
"	3.85	3.85	2.93	25,000-50,000	3 mth	071-626 1567
Lloyds	3.09	3.09	2.47	10,000-no max	1 mth	Local Brnch
"	3.38	3.38	2.70	10,000-no max	6 mth	Local Brnch
Midland	3.88	3.88	2.93	10,000-100,000	1 mth	0742 529955
" " "	3.80	3.80	3.04	10,000-100,000	3 mth	0742 529955
NatWest	3.38	3.38	2.70	25,000-50,000	1 mth	071-726 1000
" " "	3.38	3.38	2.70	25,000-50,000	3 mth	071-726 1000
HIGH INTEREST CHEQUE ACCOUNTS						
Bank of Scotland MMC	3.48	3.54	2.83	2,500‡	none	031-442 7777
Barclays Prime a/c	1.88	1.88	1.50	2,500‡	none	0604 252891
Co-operative Ultra	0.38	0.38	0.30	500‡	none	071 626 5543
Citibank	3.75	3.82	3.06	2,000‡	none	0800 559864
Lloyds HCA	0.38	0.38	0.30	10,000	none	0272 433372
Midland HICA	1.50	1.50	1.20	2,000‡	none	0742 529955
NatWest Special Reserve	1.13	1.13	0.90	500‡	none	0800 200 400
Royal Bank of Scot Prem A/c	1.50	1.51	1.21	2,000‡	none	031-556 8555
TSB Bank HICA	1.88	1.88	1.50	2,000‡	none	071-800 6000
BUILDING SOCIETIES						
Ordinary Share A/c	0.75	0.76	0.60	50+	none	——
Best buy — largest socs:						
Britannia	5.29	5.29	4.23	10,000 min	Postal	——
Britannia	5.44	5.44	4.35	25,000 min	Postal	——
Northern Rock	6.04	6.04	4.83	50,000 min	30 day	——
Woolwich	6.00	6.00	4.80	50,000 min	90 day	——
Bradford & Bingly	6.23	6.23	4.98	100,000 min	1 year	——
Best buy — all socs:						
Britannia	5.44	5.44	4.35	25,000 min	Postal	——
Northern Rock	5.85	5.85	4.68	25,000 min	30 day	——
Marsden	5.81	5.81	4.65	50,000 min	60 day	——
Lambeth	6.10	6.10	4.88	30,000 min	90 day	——
Bradford & Bingly	6.08	6.08	4.86	50,000 min	1 year	——
NATIONAL SAVINGS						
Ordinary A/c†	3.75	2.81	2.25	500-10,000	8 day	041-649-4555
Investment A/c*	6.25	4.69	3.75	20-100,000	1 mth	041-649-4555
Income Bond*	7.00	5.25	4.20	2,000-250,000	3 mth	0253 66151
6th Index Linkt*	3.25	3.25	3.25	100-10,000	8 day	091-386 4900
40th Issue Cert*	5.75	5.75	5.75	100-10,000	8 day	091-386 4900
Yearly Plan†	5.75	5.75	5.75	20-400/mth	14 day	091-386 4900
Children's Bond	7.85	7.85	7.85	25-1,000		
Gen Ed Reserve†	3.75	3.75	3.75			
Capital Bond*	7.75	5.81	4.65	100-250,000	8 days	041-649-4555
1st Option Bond*	4.75	4.75	3.80	1,000-250,000		
GUARANTEED INCOME BONDS						
Consolidated Lf	5.00	5.00	4.25	2,000 min	1 yrs	Figures from
Prosperity Life	5.85	5.85	4.97	25,000 min	2 yrs	Chase de
Prosperity Life	6.45	6.45	5.48	25,000 min	3 yrs	Vere
Financial Ass	6.70	6.70	5.70	50,000 min	4 yrs	071 404 5766
Financial Ass	6.95	6.95	5.90	50,000 min	5 yrs	for details

RATES		HOLIDAY RATES	£ buys
RPI (May 92-93)	+1.3%	Spanish Pesetas:	184.00
Bank Base Rate	6%	French Francs:	8.11
Personal Loan	28%	Greek Drachms:	330.00
Credit Card	25 - 27%	Italian Lire:	2220.00

TESSA	CAR (%)	£3,000 val 1 year on	Transfer penalty	Minimum invest	Telephone number
Hinckley & Rgby	8.05	£3,241.50	90 days loss	£25	0455 251234
Dunfermline	8.00	£3,240.00	1mths notice+loss	£3,000	0383 721621
St Pancras	8.00	£3,240.00	£25+30days notice	£10	071 7842331
National Cnty	7.90	£3,237.00	90 days loss	£3,000	0372 742211
Bath Investment	7.75	£3,232.50	-	£1	0225 423271

† 2.5% for balances below £900, first £70 of interest tax free, instant access for withdrawals of £100 or less * Additional holdings up to £20,000 for investors re-investing proceeds of existing matured certificates ††Tax free *Interest taxable paid gross ‡Higher rates for larger sums ³Guaranteed over the rate of inflation ⁴ 0.5% net bonus for amounts £20,000+

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BEST BUY MORTGAGE RATES

Lender	Interest Rate %	Loan Size	Max %	Notes
BUILDING SOCIETIES				
Nationwide 071 242 8822	5.75	negotiable	90	Rate fixed for 1 year then 6.75% for year 2
Bradford & Bingley 0274 555555	5.99	to £100K	95	Rate fixed to 30.4.94
Yorkshire 0274 740740	5.99	£50K+	85	After 1% discount for 1 year
BANKS				
Barclays 0203 694242	6.74	£50-500K	90	After 1.25% discount for 1st year
BANKS				
NatWest Home Loans 021 234 3000	6.74	£50-120K	90	After 1.25% discount for 12 months

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Joint bank account proves to be a pensions pitfall

From Mrs Frances Perry

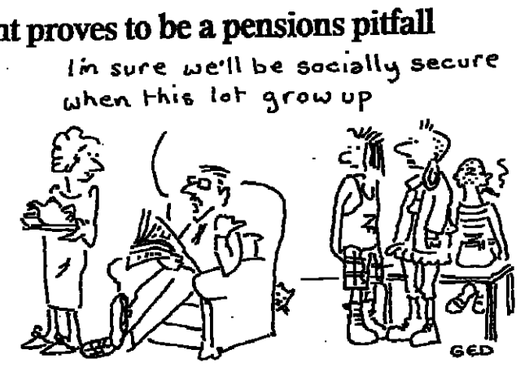
Sir, The transfer of benefit payments from Post Offices to bank accounts has had one curious repercussion, which was reported in this month's *Which* magazine and to which I have also fallen victim.

When our first child was born, my husband, who loves paperwork, obtained and filled in the Child Benefit claim forms, opting for the greater flexibility of payment into our (joint) bank account.

Because he had *signed* the form, I had to countersign, surrendering to him my right to Child Benefit.

At the time we both thought this was a hilarious anachronism.

I now find, after five years at home looking after three children (including frequent walks to the Post Office to draw cash from a savings account) that, unless I pay £1,385.80 in back National Insurance contributions, my state pension has been reduced from £65.99 to



£49.37 per week (in today's monetary values) because I have "surrendered" my entitlement to Home Responsibilities Protection.

I asked the Secretary of State for Social Security whether the need for National Insurance payments in all circumstances is sufficiently publicised to school-leavers, new mothers, and the newly unemployed, but was told that there is no statutory obligation for the Department of Social Security to publicise the pension scheme.

My 87-year-old neighbour laughed and told me not to worry — that by the time I retire, the goverment will have long ceased to pay pensions based on National Insurance contributions!

Yours faithfully,
FRANCES PERRY,
Roke Cottage,
35 Roke Lodge Road,
Kenley,
Surrey.

Responsible coin firms

From Mr D. N. Fletcher

Sir, Your recent reports of the demise of Rare Coin Investments plc (Weekend Money May 15 and May 29) may well have given readers a false impression of the UK coin & medal trade.

This is most unfortunate especially as we spent some time discussing this with your reporter and putting the trade position into perspective.

The British Numismatic Trade Association represents most of the full time coin and medal dealers, in the United Kingdom, and our members have to adhere to a strict code of ethics.

Rare Coin Investments plc has never been a member and was unlikely ever to qualify for membership owing to its style of operation. We do hope your readers will not be deterred from collecting coins by these reports. We publish a directory of members, a free copy of which is available from BNTA, PO Box 82, Coventry, CV5 6SW.

Yours faithfully,
D. N. FLETCHER,
Executive Secretary,
The British Numismatic Trade Association Ltd.,
PO Box 82,
Coventry.

Current account surpluses and overdrafts

From Mr Michael Potok

Sir, I wonder how you justify the implication in your Comment column (June 12) that because 20 per cent of bank customers overdraw their current accounts it is they that pay for the services for all bank customers. Does not the bank derive any advantage from money in current accounts? How is it that until a year or two ago Lloyds Bank actually paid me quite a worthwhile interest on my money in Classic Current Account (now down to 0.38 per cent).

What has changed so much in the last few years, apart from the mistakes made by the banks and building societies in being too lax with lending money, that suddenly they have to charge for services which came free before?

I thought that the computer revolution was going to make office work easier, cheaper and more efficient. Has all that been empty talk? Or do the customers have to pay for all the mistakes and incompetence of the grossly overpaid managers?

Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL POTOK,
West Wind, Frilford Heath,
Abingdon, Oxfordshire.

A charter to increase banking charges

From Mr Richard Rowlin

Sir, I operate a very small insurance business and bank with Royal Bank of Scotland. My quarterly current account charges are £10.00, which I admit is low. I have just received a three-page charter detailing the "Service Commitment" but this is simply an excuse to increase my charges to £25.00 a quarter, an increase of 150 per cent.

My letter to the bank has brought a reply that the charges are modest and competitive, but the bank has not answered my query on the size of the increase.

I have banked with the group for well over 20 years and the current attitude does nothing for customer relations, which the bank is ostensibly aiming to promote in its lengthy charter.

Yours faithfully,
Richard Rowlin, Insurance Consultant,
91B London Road,
High Wycombe,
Buckinghamshire.

Nationwide has member-directors

From Mr Paul Twyman.

Sir, Lindsay Cook (June 5) says that " the question of who is fit and proper to sit on the board of a building society deserves an airing." Absolutely right — but it is unfortunate that she does not mention that Nationwide already has two "membership directors".

I am one — invited on to the board of the former Anglia Building Society several years before the merger with Nationwide after a *campaign* lasting about a decade. The other is Mrs Sheila Heywood who joined the board after she, too, had stood as a representative of the membership in a series of elections.

So it is not true to say that the Building Societies Commission and the societies theselves "seem to feel that *members do not qualify.*" In any event, *all* the Nationwide Building Society directors see their role as safeguarding the interests of the members.

We are fortunate in having a board of effective size, with a careful balance of executive and non-executive directors, and a collection of individuals drawn from a wide variety of different backgrounds — all of whom contribute as directors in a variety of ways.

It is worth remembering that Nationwide has 7.5 million members, 13,000 staff, and handles over one million transactions per day.

Being a director of an organisation that size involves bearing a heavy responsibility. Moreover, the legal duties of directors in building societies are actually more onerous than those of ordinary companies. Nationwide has a good team at the top, running the society for the benefit of the members. Let us keep it that way.

Yours faithfully,
PAUL TWYMAN,
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Company	Price 13/12/91	Price 13/12/92	Rise (P)	%Change
Tanjong	108	405	385	305.00
TVS Entn.	7.25	27.5	20.25	279.31
Bluebird Toys	35	132	97	277.14
Acorn Computer	10	37.5	27.5	275.00
Astec (BSR)	10	33.5	23.5	235.00
Grosvenor Telecom	9	29	20	222.22
Sleepy Kids	9.5	30	20.5	215.79
Hartleigh Tech	283	893	610	215.55
Rodime	4	12.5	8.5	212.50
First Technology	31	93	62	200.00
Filofax Group	25	74	49	196.00
Esp Co of Louisiana	32	92	60	187.50
News Intl NV	279	722	452	167.41
Park Food Group	72	188	116	161.11
Perpetual	84	215	131	155.95
Protean Intl	170.24	427	256.76	150.82
Telemetrix	30.5	74	43.5	142.62
Tie Rack	27	65	38	140.74
Brown & Jackson	4.5	10.5	6	133.33
Waterlake Intl	3	7	4	133.33

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BANKS, DISCOUNT, HP

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
631	345	Abbey Nat	615	-4	71.5	3.5	14.0
258	179	Allied Irish	250	-3	...	6.5	12.8
176	138	Anz New Z	164½	-1½	...	3.5	...
3695½	2772½	Bankamerica	2950½	-69½	...	...	...
232	188	Bk of Ireland	207	-1	...	3.6	∞
338	335	Bk Ulstnd 10%	335	...	7207	6.5	...
151	116½	Bank Scotland	148	...	4.5	3.9	20.5
476	362	Barclays	464	+2	...	4.7	...
3½	2	Benchmark	3	...	...	...	...
39	31	Brewin Dolphy	35	...	...	...	...
795	554	Carlisle	570	...	...	...	...
513	395	Cater Allen	507	...	22.0	4.9	∞
130	85	Cattles	128	...	...	4.1	17.2
2650	1787½	Chase Manh	1959½	-9½	...	...	...
2035½	1543½	Chemical	1950½	+53½	...	...	...
370	291	Close Bros	355	...	...	3.4	15.8
1130½	922½	Commercial	1130½	-25½	...	3.5	...
1309½	1250½	Deutsche Bk	1274½	-22½	...	2.3	...
81	45	Dist Nat Wt	77	-6	...	...	...
1445	936	Fuji Bank Y	1268	...	...	0.4	...
465	343	General Acc	459 †	...	21.5	4.6	11.1
1057	680	HFC	965	-1	18.0	2.7	15.4
662	474	HSBC HK	636	-2	19.8	3.1	15.0
356	263	Hambros	343	...	...	5.3	15.6
369	313	Joseph (L)	368	...	13.8	3.8	...
136	96	King Shaxson	134	+1	3.6	2.6	...
210	172	Lloyds Bank	198	+1	14.0	4.9	14.1
382	282	Lloyds	380	...	18.4	4.8	16.6
87	61	Lon Scot Bk	82½	...	3.0	4.6	16.1
457½	332	Mid Amst Bk	448½	+2½	...	4.4	16.2
489	398	Nat West	472½	-2½	17.5	4.4	12.7
397	270	Provident	394	+10	11.4	3.4	17.1
47	29	Rea Bros	43	+½	2.5	7.5	15.7
282	202	Rgl Bk Scot	282	+1	8.8	3.9	...
982½	467½	Schroders	968	...	...	1.5	18.9
779	576	Stand Chart	763	+4	20.0	3.2	...
196	149½	TSB	193	+½	6.4	4.1	...
78	58	Union Disc	76	-1	...	...	...
741	529	Warburg Sh	732 †	+7	...	3.2	12.5
252	185	do 6% 'A'	252	+2	...	3.0	...
7850	4945	Wells Fargo	6881½	+135½	...	1.5	...
170	121	Westpac	166 †	-1	...	4.5	...
250	188	Windsor	248	...	9.3	3.6	∞

BREWERIES

646	517	Allied-Lyons	536	+4	...	4.9	14.5
667	444	Bass	491	+7	18.9	6.8	10.7
373	289	Boddington	371	+2	7.5	3.4	15.8
213	129	Burmah Cast	197	+1	4.9	3.6	17.0
158	129	Burmond Bw	152	+1	4.4	4.1	10.0
307	242	Dowgate (A)	283	...	7.8	3.5	15.6
103	75	Eldridge P 'A'	100	...	...	4.1	20.1
569	50	Fenton Barnes	50	-1	...	...	...
398	338	Fuller Sm 'A'	390	+1	5.4	1.4	6.9
488	388	Grand Met	484	+7	12.3	3.5	12.5
527	380	Greenalls Gp	522	...	11.4	3.7	13.8
532	390	Guinness Pq	526	...	11.4	3.7	12.9
516	440	Gulbenkian	494	-11	...	3.1	17.2
283	230	Hardy Nurse	280	-1	5.9	3.2	14.8
310	195	Hawthorn's	310	+10	3.6	1.2	25.3
46	28	do 'A' DFd	42	...	3.0	4.6	19.6
329	255	Highland Dist	324	-5	8.0	2.5	17.3
3125	2538	Holt J	2850	...	61.0	1.7	19.2
38	32	Hoskins Horn	38 ff	...	...	...	40.5
290	230	Hoskins Nthn	290	...	7.0	2.4	15.5
186	157	Macallan-Glen	176	-1	6.9	3.7	18.2
466	375	Macdn Morin 'A'	380 †	+3	9.0	2.4	∞
895	655	Mansfield	825	...	15.4	2.4	∞
256	211	Matthew Thmp	248	...	5.6	2.8	14.4
435	357	Matthew Clark	430	...	...	1.3	...
300	252	Morgnton W	285	+7	...	2.7	20.6
560	455	Morland	540 †	...	8.4	1.5	21.5
12	6	Paramountcia	9½	...	...	...	11.5
165	145	Regent Inns	160	...	...	3.5	16.0
930	753	SA Brewerie	927	...	...	3.2	...
492½	408	Scot & Nwc	483	-3	16.1	4.4	12.6
223	181	Tamdn Chter	218	...	...	3.2	13.9
288	215	Tent Group	284	-1	9.3	3.2	15.0
301	235	Wetherspoon JD	291	...	...	2.1	20.5
500	435	Whitbread 'A'	492 †	+1	...	4.5	12.3
1180	850	do 'B'	990 †	...	...	2.5	24.2
615	475	Wolverhmptn D	597	...	11.4	3.8	12.3
515	478	Young 'A'	498	...	14.5	3.8	19.8

BUILDING, ROADS

115	73	Abbey	113	...	...	1.2	40.8
27	15	Allrighthorn	21	+2	...	...	...
108	87	Alpha	107	...	...	...	...
98	65	Amec	87	-1	3.0	4.3	14.1
9½	4	Anglia Sec	6½	...	...	...	...
216	135	Ashtead	215	...	4.1	2.4	28.7
212	168	Ashwood	119	...	5.0	5.2	17.0
148	100	BPB Ind	143	...	...	2.8	15.1
88	57	Baggeridge Brk	70	-3	3.1	5.0	20.3
31	18	Bailey (Nrml Cn	27	...	...	...	...
158	74	Barratt	95 †	-5	3.1	1.6	17.2
149	94	Bernard Dev	148	-2	3.0	1.7	16.1
412	305	Bellway	407	...	...	3.7	23.6
32	15	Bellwinch	26	...	...	...	...
423	295	Berkeley Gp	390	+5	...	1.9	26.9
88	45	Bett Bros	83 †	-1	3.0	3.6	9.4
88	56	Bloor	87	-1	3.0	3.4	14.5
266	199	Blue Circle	257	...	...	5.5	...
285	220	Bovis (Henry)	282	...	5.9	2.1	13.6
106	78	Brandon PLC	92	...	4.6	5.2	22.2
121	82	Br Dredging	112	...	5.8	5.2	24.9
19	6	Brk Pilings	18	...	1.5	2.4	...
81	59	Bryant	80	+2	4.6	4.3	30.0
81	53	CALA	80	...	3.3	...	...
284	205	CRH	264	-1	...	3.4	17.0
43	22	Cakebread Hay	34	...	...	...	...
49	23	Costain	44½	...	2.3	...	...
139½	69½	Countryside	135	+1	...	1.5	33.3
70	38	Crest Nicholson	66	...	6.0	...	...
94	28	Cruden	83	...	...	...	...
3½	1½	Dennison	1½	...	...	...	...
25	16½	Edmond Hdgs	21	...	0.5	2.1	...
260	178	Epwin	259	...	6.3	2.4	31.9
51	32	Erith	49	...	0.3	0.6	...
288	252	Evr Group+	277	-2	...	3.2	13.9
59	34	Everard Barden	54	-1	2.0	4.6	25.3
6½	3	Exploomia	3½	...	...	...	...
140	97	Freeman Gps	136	...	...	4.6	21.6
58	38	Galliford	52	...	4.3	...	16.9
883	698	Gleeson (M)	878	...	13.7	1.8	14.2
122½	90	Hawden-Stuart	119½	+½	...	3.4	22.2
51	28	Hewetson ∞	39½	-2½	3.6%	...	9.8
280	186	Heywd Wms	280	...	12.5	5.4	...
108	37	Higgs & Hill	97	...	2.5	3.3	...
35	27	How Gp	28	...	...	6.7	...
19	15	Howard Hdgs	18	...	...	0.2	3.5
70	39	Ibstock Johnsen	68	...	1.5	1.5	...
178	125	Jarvis	172	+1	...	...	...
228	176	Laing (J)	202	...	4.3	1.5	10.5
83	55	Ln Cycledrive	78	-2	4.5	7.4	28.7
23	10½	Lovell (Y)	21½	...	...	...	9.6
347	240	Manders	336	+1	9.0	3.6	19.4
143	93	Marley	136	...	4.3	3.9	30.9
14	7	Marshalls	13	...	0.8	5.6	...
178	122	Maunders (J)	175	+5	4.9	3.5	16.0
214	96	McAlpine (A)	207	...	6.5	3.9	15.8
40	23	McCarthy & S	35	...	0.5	...	...
328	272	Meyer Int	299	+2	10.0	3.3	...
4	4	Miskin Gps	4 ff	...	...	...	...
128	62	Mowlem (J)	108	-1	4.0	4.6	...
78	51	NSM	74	+6	...	...	...
53	38	Nestler A	48	...	...	3.2	23.3
148	105	Newman Tuke	130	...	...	5.6	20.0
300	197	Persimmon	254	-4	8.6	4.3	25.9
31	20	Phoenix Timber	26	...	...	...	...
1825	1237½	Pochin	1412½	...	29.0	2.6	8.6
140	80	Prowting	128	...	3.4	3.3	...
6½	4	Quadpile	4½	...	...	...	...
780	555	RMC Gp	774	+11	...	3.2	30.5
117	90	Raine Ind	92	...	6.0	8.2	15.4
36	20	Ransome	21	...	...	...	...
579	462	Redland	457	-8	25.0	5.4	11.6
75	54	Rexhel	72	...	4.3	1.5	10.6
306	227	Rugby Group	275	-1	6.4	2.9	21.1
62	23	Rwlnd-Rwa	42	...	...	...	...
213	68	Sharpe & Fisher	113	...	...	4.4	19.6
172	89½	Sheffield Ind	165 †	...	...	3.6	40.4
223	181	Sheriff Hdgs+	210	...	...	2.1	17.7
98	66	Sherora	93	...	...	3.9	16.6
288	197	Smart (J)	197 †	...	...	5.4	9.0
4½	2	Stanmin	3	...	...	0.5	2.5
1140	905	Tarmac	1130	-3	...	4.5	20.8
194	137	Tay Homes	180	...	3.4	3.8	11.5
118	63	Taylor Woodrw	107	+2	1.0	1.0	...
588	433	Tilbury Dougls	585	...	10.0	2.1	∞
19	9	Tmes Mirr	14	...	...	3.6	...
227	168	Travis Perkins	224	...	...	2.2	20.4
60	30	Try Group	58	...	1.5	3.5	10.2
28	20	Tudora	27	...	...	...	...
74	41	Vibroplant	66	-1	3.6	6.8	12.1
65	20	Ward Hdgs	46	-2	...	...	...
36	25	Watkinson	34	...	...	...	...
435	360	Watts Blake	435	...	10.7	3.1	18.3
28	8	Wepuka	26	...	...	...	...
152	90	Westbury	133 †	...	5.0	4.3	20.8
9	4	West Midlnds	8½	...	...	...	...
12	5	Wiggins	9 ff	...	...	...	...
461	371	Wilcon Homes	433	+5	8.7	2.6	20.0
205	147	Wilson (C)	197	-1	5.6	2.6	12.4
193	167	Wimpey G	177	-1	5.6	3.8	...
42	25	YRM	42	...	...	4.0	...

BUSINESS SERVICES

675	463	ADT	585	+5	...	...	∞
228	198	Adam & Harvey	213	...	11.0	6.5	8.3
62	36	Ad London	46	...	...	4.7	8.0
54	37	Aitken Hdgs	39	-1	2.5	4.7	...
178	125	Auto Sec	162	-1	...	4.1	20.0
116	81	BET Ord	115	+3	3.2	3.6	...
93	41	BSB Rts	91	...	...	...	...
318	268	BTP	280	...	8.0	3.4	16.0
265	236	Barbour Index	245	...	12.3	3.7	18.2
22	15	Benstead	19	...	0.7	4.6	...
245	184	Brit Data Mgt	243	...	...	2.1	13.3
31	21	Broadcastfin+	21	...	...	...	16.7
73	54	Brooks Service	68	...	...	...	...
104	86	CKT Gp	98	+1	2.4	3.1	11.3
178	139½	Capita Group	173	+3	...	1.5	22.0
69½	51	Chubut Plc	62½	...	...	2.4	16.1
55	40	Chiltern Capital	49	...	...	...	...
51	26	Christie	41	...	...	...	...
330	228	Chubb Sec	320	+1	...	1.9	20.3
81	58	Cmnets+	71	+2	...	2.6	17.7
30	9½	Corp Services	26	-1	...	...	...
93	80	Dart	89	...	3.3	4.7	...
231	198	Davis Service	228	-1	...	4.4	17.0
178	134	Elegdon	163	-4	9.5	7.3	17.6
185	93	Brent Chemn	169	+1	...	8.6	9.8
330	306	Br Bio-Tech	306	-9	...	...	...
29	15	Cntrl Gp	19	...	1.5	11.1	∞
153	126	Canning (W)	139	...	6.6	15.9	...
608	504	Countrwide	546 †	+2	...	3.2	14.0
280	228	Croda	268	-2	...	3.4	16.8
149	121	Dorlec	140	...	4.6	4.2	10.0
209	175	Ellis & Everard	209	...	7.6	4.2	18.0
33½	15½	Euro Colour	31½	...	0.8	3.5	16.3
282	259	Hanscomb Gl	282	...	...	2.6	14.6
241	194	Hickson	227	+6	...	4.4	21.0
£114½	£80	Hoechst	97½	-50	...	3.9	...

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

248	210	Allied Colloids	225	+1	...	3.4	19.2
783	613	Amersham	766	+1	13.5	2.2	∞
7	3	Anglo Uni	3	...	...	...	...
£101½	£93	BASF Dfd	93½	-3½	...	7.4	...
259	199	BTP	257	-2	...	5.3	30.9
£119	£101½	Bayer DM50	£107	-50	...	5.3	...
178	134	Biogden	163	-4	9.5	7.3	17.6
185	93	Brent Chemn	169	+1	...	8.6	9.8
330	306	Br Bio-Tech	306	-9	...	...	...
29	15	Cntrl Gp	19	...	1.5	11.1	∞
153	126	Canning (W)	139	...	6.6	15.9	...
608	504	Courtaulds	546 †	+2	...	3.2	14.0
280	228	Croda	268	-2	...	3.4	16.8
149	121	Dorlec	140	...	4.6	4.2	10.0
209	175	Ellis & Everard	209	...	7.6	4.2	18.0
33½	15½	Euro Colour	31½	...	0.8	3.5	16.3
282	259	Hanscomb Gl	282	...	...	2.6	14.6
241	194	Hickson	227	+6	...	4.4	21.0
£114½	£80	Hoechst	97½	-50	...	3.9	...

DRAPERY, STORES

185	63	Alexon	78	...	3.0	4.5	...
97	62	Amber Day	84	...	3.1	4.3	17.5
319	257	Argos Plc	302	+2	...	2.8	20.6
112	69	Ashley (Laura)	105 †	...	...	2.8	18.2
308	278	Asprey+	308	...	...	3.2	15.0
134	94	Austin Reed	133	...	...	2.3	...
155	125	Bentle (J) 'A'	146	...	...	3.4	15.4
151	94	Bennetts	100	...	1.9	2.6	...
278	218	Bettacraft	240 †	...	...	3.3	15.3
35	22	Blacks Leis	34	+4	2.3	6.8	16.7
232	133	Body Shop	150 †	...	...	1.1	24.5
16	12	Brown & Jackpn	14½	...	...	...	...
408	315	Burton (M)	379 †	+1	...	2.3	22.3
87½	65½	Burton	85½	-½	...	3.5	...
145	126	Clarks	140	...	5.4	3.8	16.0
168	105	Church	165	...	12.5	4.4	21.6
185	97	Clinton Cards	139	-2	4.2	3.0	16.8
265	212	Coats Viyella	237	+2½	...	3.8	20.0
195	78	Colleycroftgp+	94	...	...	...	20.8
379	324	Comm Furnish	328	...	5.0	1.5	20.8
155	115	Crown Spec	137	...	...	3.5	6.4
115	88	Daisy Hous Intl	88	-3	...	3.4	11.5
72	51½	Dewhirst (J)	72	...	1.9	2.7	12.3
201	169½	Dixons Grp	194	+1	8.0	4.1	24.3
485	320	Dunhill	344	+3	8.1	2.3	∞
21	12½	EBA Gp	16	...	...	...	...
400	320	Ego (Whistling	400	...	10.0	2.5	15.4
355	304	Empire Stores	355	...	...	4.5	15.4
71	54	Etam	68	+2	2.0	2.9	21.5
108	80	Evans	108	+2	6.0	5.5	12.0
65	45	Fine Art Dev	62	+4	12.7	20.4	18.4
30	26	Next Bush Tim	30	...	...	...	...
520	406	Fenwick+	498	...	12.5	2.5	10.4
88	24	French Conns	82	+1	...	...	...
21	12	Gabriel+	20	...	...	...	...
63	43	Great Mt	63	...	2.0	3.2	17.5
2650	2452	GUS	2528	...	48.0	1.9	16.7
1728	1522	do 'A'	1652	...	48.0	2.9	15.2
31	21	Hampden Grp+	31	...	...	...	...
40	30	Harrisons	38	+2	...	...	...
257	209	Hepworth	257	...	6.0	2.3	17.9
60	46	Hodge Hldgs	60	...	2.0	3.3	15.0
182	132	Grantley	167	...	...	2.2	25.1
11½	7½	Grapetree	9½	...	...	...	...
45	36	Hillsdown	36	...	...	...	...
207	200	Holden Pl	207	...	10.0	4.8	17.3
60	46	Ingot Capital	60	...	...	...	...
365	222	Inchcape	365	...	7.0	1.9	15.9
60	16	Inter-Sonic	45	+3	...	...	...
222	122	Intntl	205	...	...	...	...
3015	1988	Mfcn Focus	2220	...	...	2.3	21.9
227	184	Microgen	185	...	7.2	4.9	12.6
34½	23½	Microvitec	26	...	...	...	...
534	387	Mings	533	...	6.1	1.5	22.9
231	98	Misys	231	+7	...	...	...
138	108	MMT Comps	138	...	...	3.7	15.1
28	16	Mulpuz	23 †	...	1.3	7.1	∞
272	202	MTL Instr	215	...	...	2.1	16.2
165	133	Multitone Elect	138	...	3.0	2.8	15.7
169	116	Murray Enter	165	...	...	3.6	14.4
6412½	5225	NTNEX	5950	+190	...	...	...
188	140	Neotronics	163	...	2.6	2.3	18.4
65	42	Newmark (J)	65	...	...	...	...
114	58	Norbrdge+	107	...	1.2	1.1	16.0
75	39	Northampton	75	...	...	...	...
15½	9	Oceanic	13	...	...	...	8.4
286	195	Oxford Inst	267	...	8.9	4.2	18.2
83	48	P-E Intcnt†	73	...	...	1.7	...
39	29	P & F	29	+1	1.4	4.8	18.2
41	21½	Pace	37	+1	3.4	9.2	18.0
194	115	Pegasus+	167	+17	...	4.8	42.9
9000	9000	Philips Fr 4%	9000	...	...	4.4	...
3050	2225	do Ltrp 5%	2225	...	...	...	...
1½	1	Photo-Me Int	1½	...	...	...	...
463	343	Pilkington	463	...	7.7	2.1	30.2
462	343	Pilco	453	...	7.7	2.1	30.2
462	308	do 'A' Voting	462	...	...	...	...
96	62	Pittancer+	96	...	...	3.7	15.1
104	78	Pittards	104	...	...	3.8	20.7
135	100	Porter Chad	112	...	...	2.1	24.7
229	169	Racal Elect	225	...	...	1.8	20.3
93	65	Radamec	88	...	...	...	...
50	29	Redman Hldgs	48	...	...	...	...
59	38	Reed Telmt ♣	57	...	...	...	...
35	18	Rima	34	...	...	...	...
98	68	Sage Gp	94	...	0.9	0.1	17.1
69	46	Scantronic	64	...	2.0	3.2	20.2
146	117	Scholes Gp	142	...	4.4	3.1	24.8
330	280	Sirma Gp	306	+3	2.8	1.1	24.8
39	26	Silverstone	31	...	...	9.5	...
45	37	Soundtracks	43	...	...	6.4	14.5
2512½	1737½	TDK	2300	...	...	1.5	∞
214	154	TTG Circuits+	192	...	...	...	...
155	80	Telemetric	150	+3	1.0	0.7	21.4
899	839	THORN EMI	885	+7	24.0	2.7	18.2
111	98	Thorpe PW	106	...	2.5	2.3	10.7
107	70	Tidal Systems+	70	...	0.8	1.1	17.5
445	372	Tunstall	435 †	...	8.0	1.7	17.4
255	164	Unitech	246	+1	5.8	3.0	43.0
11½	6	Vectyx	7	...	...	...	...
35	24	Vinten A	34½	...	1.1	3.2	23.4
471	387	Vodafone	446	...	2.5	0.5	30.0
441	368	Volex	422	+1	17.9	5.4	∞
101	97½	Western Selects	72	...	...	...	...
1284	1254	Wholesale Figs	1253	...	11.7	5.8	24.1

ELECTRICITY

487	388	East Midlands	449	-5	...	5.6	7.5
498	398	Eastern Elect	487	+5	10.7	4.5	11.6
356	304	Hydro—Elect	344	+5	...	4.3	12.2
500½	454	London Elect	480	-4	16.5	4.6	8.9
549	458	Manweb	535	-6	...	5.1	7.4
574	434½	Midlands Elec	483	-8	17.7	4.7	8.7
549	440	Northern Elec	511	-4	18.5	4.5	7.6
544	439	Norweb	498	-4	17.2	4.4	9.4
337	285	Scottish Power	322	+1	...	4.4	11.7
329	286	Seebourn	312	-5	17.2	4.3	9.3
571	490	Sth Wales	530	-10	...	3.4	13.7
532	488	Sth Western	505	-5	17.4	4.5	8.5
1189	1027	Southern Elec	1155	-11½	38.6	4.5	9.0
552	455	Yorkshire Elec	504	-6	17.2	4.6	9.4
369	273	National Powr	3049	-½	...	3.7	11.0
388	275	PowerGen	359	-1	...	3.5	10.4

FINANCE, LAND

60½	51	Aitken Hume	51	...	0.5	...	32.6
95	47	BWDa	84	...	...	4.8	13.1

1993 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
225	165	Bolthby Chem	219	-3	...	2.1	20.2
720	608	ICI	697	...	...	4.9	...
488	388	Laporte	459	...	19.5	3.8	17.6
220	181	Lelgh	209	...	7.5	3.6	∞
9½	7	MDH	12½	...	...	...	...
1720	1465½	Norsk Hydro	1680	-21½	...	1.7	23.4
450	330	Paterson Zoch	447	-1	11.4	3.2	18.3
450	320	do 'A'	398	...	11.4	3.6	17.2
296	234	Plysu	274 †	-1	7.9	2.7	∞
215	173	Powrtr	215	...	3.6	2.1	23.0
13½	7½	Sutcliffe Speak	11	...	...	...	...
475	405	Wardle Storeys	430	-2	16.0	4.7	17.3
470	395	Wilmslow E	465	...	17.0	4.6	15.9
295	255	Yorks Chem	295	-5	...	2.7	15.9
306	240	Yuasa Batts	301	+10	5.9	2.0	15.9
537	429	Zotos	529	-1	...	5.5	36.7

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35	22	Blacks Leis	34	+4	2.3	6.8	16.7

THE TIMES UNIT TRUST INFORMATION SERVICE

	Bid	Offer	Wkly +/-	Yld %
ABBEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
80 Holdenhurst Rd, Bournemouth BH8 8AL 0345 717373				
Mastertrust	118.40	126.60	-0.40	.99
International	91.27	97.09	-0.26	.93
Dividend Gth	57.56	61.23	+0.60	4.59
Global Gth Sec	62.00	65.95	-0.08	2.62
Ethical Growth	65.31	69.47†	+0.11	2.52
High Inc Equity	150.10	159.60	+1.60	4.99
Worldwide Bond	269.70	285.90†	+1.30	3.67
Gilts Fixed Int	129.20	136.90†	+0.80	6.01
ABTRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
10 Queens Terrace, Aberdeen AB9 1QJ 0224 633070				
Dealing: 0800 833580				
30 Finsbury Circus, London EC2M 7QQ 071 374 6801				
Amer Inc Gth	43.43	45.64	+0.92	0.68
European	81.17	86.00	+0.19	...
European Inc	77.37	82.12†	+0.10	1.83
Exempt	917.30	943.60†	+12.00	3.25
Extra Inc	43.12	46.84†	+0.80	4.93
F East Emerg Ec	85.02	91.64	+0.71	0.71
ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TRUSTS				
Allied Dunbar Centre, Swindon, SN1 1EL 0793 514514				
Dealing: 0793 610366				
High Inc	381.50	407.80	+4.60	4.03
Equity Inc	214.70	229.50	-2.70	3.92
High Yield	236.10	252.30	+2.70	4.06
Balanced	639.10	683.10†	+8.10	2.59
American Inc	48.17	51.49	+1.39	3.11
Wld Asset Val	39.72	42.46	-0.31	1.11
Japan	195.90	208.60	-15.00	0.01
Secs of Am	404.50	430.60†	+6.00	0.57
AXA EQUITY & LAW				
St George's Hse, Corporation St, Coventry CV1 1HD. 0203 553231				
UK Growth Acc	314.40	334.50	+3.00	2.70
-do- Inc	222.80	237.10	+2.10	2.70
Higher Inc Acc	573.90	610.60	+6.30	3.67
-do- Inc	348.70	371.00	-3.90	3.67
Gilt/Fxd Int Acc	175.80	185.60	-0.90	5.99
-do- Inc	92.13	97.31	+0.51	5.99
Nth America	252.80	269.00	-1.80	...
Far East	297.10	316.10	-6.70	0.19
Europe	224.70	239.10	+0.20	1.05
General Inc	426.30	453.60	+2.50	2.44
-do- Acc	467.60	497.50	+2.60	2.44
Brit Excell	63.42	67.47†	+0.54	2.72
Brit Fndmtls Inc	66.70	70.96	+0.73	4.84
Brit Fndmtls Acc	85.97	91.46	-0.93	4.84
BARCLAYS UNICORN LTD				
Gredley Hse, 1-11 Broadway, London E15 081 534 5544				
Capital	106.10	113.40	+0.90	2.80
Euro Gth Inc	114.00	120.90	...	1.04
Extra Inc	106.40	113.80	+1.30	4.78
General	240.90	257.60	+1.60	2.95
Gilt Fxd Inc	57.62	59.57†	-0.30	8.47
Income	488.00	521.90	+4.60	4.45
BARING FUND MANAGERS				
PO Box 156, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4XQ 081 658 9082				
American Gth	91.98	97.66	+2.06	0.10
Amer Smllr Cos	117.00	125.50	-1.70	...
Convertibles	52.93	56.60†	-0.34	7.10
Eastern	187.30	201.50	+0.60	1.60
Equity Income	81.64	86.85	+1.03	6.30
European Gth	225.60	239.80	-0.90	1.50
Euro Smllr Cos	148.80	159.10†	-0.20	1.90
Exempt	83.41	85.53	-0.13	3.60
German Growth	56.61	60.25	+0.50	0.70
Global Growth	108.10	115.20	+0.40	...
Japan Growth	198.60	212.60	-4.20	...
Japan Sunrise	173.20	185.10	-7.90	...
Portfolio	117.80	126.10	+0.90	3.20
-do- Acc	209.90	224.80	+1.60	3.20
UK Growth	82.66	87.93†	-0.35	2.80
UK Smaller Cos	86.07	92.08	-0.92	1.90
Select Managers	63.42	67.90	-0.42	2.00
BRITANNIA LIFE UNIT MANAGERS LTD				
190 West George St, Glasgow G2 2PA 041 332 3132				
Balan Gth Acc	105.21	112.53	+0.76	1.87
-do- Inc	95.65	102.30	-0.69	1.87
Global Bond	29.15	30.93†	+0.31	5.37
High Yield Acc	54.17	57.93	+0.90	3.50
-do- Inc	39.32	42.05	+0.65	3.50
Smlr Cos Acc	93.30	99.79	+1.90	1.35
-do- Inc	85.76	91.72†	+1.75	1.35
Amer Gth Acc	56.62	60.56	+1.19	...
-do- Inc	55.57	59.43	+1.17	...
Euro Gth Acc	100.62	107.61	-0.29	1.07
-do- Inc	99.24	106.14	-0.28	1.07
Mngd P folio	35.08	37.52	-0.39	1.29
Pacific Growth	102.59	109.72	-2.31	0.58
Intl Spec Opps	87.36	93.43	+1.31	0.67
BROWN SHIPLEY				
9/17 Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath 0444 458144				
Financial	126.60	134.80	-0.30	3.11
Smaller Cos Acc	300.10	321.10	+1.10	...
Smaller Cos Inc	174.60	186.80	+0.60	1.16
High Inc	70.14	75.40†	-0.08	6.95
Income	127.90	136.90	+0.60	4.02
Mngd P folio Inc	94.93	101.10	...	1.97
-do- Acc	179.40	191.10		
North American	101.50	108.10	-1.50	0.20
BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT				
Beaufort House, 15 St Botolph Street, London EC3A 7JJ. 071 247 4542				
Dealing: 071 247 7474				
Fellowship Tst	61.45	65.38	+0.58	1.44
-do- Acc	69.28	73.71	+0.67	1.25
Income Fund 5	213.90	227.60	+1.90	4.09
-do- Acc	497.60	529.40	+4.30	4.14
Inv Portfolio	67.63	70.08	+0.58	2.13
-do- Acc	76.36	79.13	+0.64	2.07
Smaller Cos	127.50	135.70†	-0.70	1.63
-do- Acc	154.30	160.20†	-3.70	1.52
High Inc P folio	60.68	62.89	+0.27	4.61
CIS UNIT MANAGERS LTD				
PO Box 105, Manchester M60 0AH 061 837 5060				
Environ	135.10	143.80†	+0.70	1.73
UK Growth	147.90	157.40	+1.20	2.12
UK Income	123.50	131.40	+1.40	4.15
CANNON FUND MANAGERS				
1 Olympic Way, Wembley, Middx HA9 0NB 081 902 8876				
SE Asia	85.31	91.73	-0.95	1.00
Growth	44.18	47.25	+0.25	2.89
Income	54.25	58.02	+0.26	4.13
Far East	48.27	51.90	-1.24	...
North American	83.24	89.51	+1.85	...
Global	84.15	90.00	+0.10	0.74
European	70.22	75.09	+0.12	1.18
Japan	111.80	119.60	-6.10	0.01
Intl Currency Bd	58.72	62.23	+0.30	5.15
UK Cap Gwth	79.71	85.25	+0.21	1.97
CAPEL-CURE MYERS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
35 Fountain Street, Manchester M2 2AF				
Enquiries: 061 236 5685 Dealing: 061 236 5362				
Capability Trusts				
American Gen	128.90	137.20	+2.30	0.22
-do- Acc	137.00	145.80	+2.30	0.22
European	66.70	69.59	-0.05	0.77
-do- Acc	68.10	72.13	-0.05	0.77
Far East Gen	65.90	70.11	-3.50	...
-do- Acc	65.90	70.11	-3.50	...
Glenfriars	255.40	271.80	+0.90	0.68
-do- Acc	287.50	305.90	+1.00	0.68
Growth	382.00	408.60	+3.30	2.23
-do- Acc	654.00	699.50	+5.80	2.23
Income Growth	375.60	399.60	+2.30	3.80
-do- Acc	499.30	531.20	+3.00	3.80
Master Portfolio	9505.0	9853.0	-84.00	2.23
-do- Acc	11000.0	11403.0	-98.00	2.23
Special Sits	86.66	92.20	-0.33	2.23
-do- Acc	101.41	107.89	-0.38	2.23
Exempt Fund				
High Yield	1199.0	1237.0†	+14.00	4.35
-do- Acc	1416.0	1460.0	+17.00	4.35
CAPEL (JAMES) UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
7 Devonshire Square, London EC2M 4HU 071 955 5050. Dealing: 071 955 5055				
American Index	192.80	205.40	+4.20	1.61
Capital	533.40	569.20	+3.50	2.38
Eurotrack 100	129.70	138.00	-0.50	1.50
Euro Gth	80.64	85.96	-0.06	1.31
Far East Growth	91.84	98.01	-2.49	0.07
Global Bond	23.91	25.20	+0.30	5.94
Hong Kong	84.55	90.22	+0.12	0.76
Income	502.20	535.90	+3.00	3.94
Intl Growth	73.62	78.56†	-0.92	0.99
Japan Growth	268.80	286.80	-18.80	...
Japan Smllr Cos	34.56	36.89	-2.18	...
Japan Index	79.07	84.38	-3.79	0.23
Nth American	438.20	467.60	-12.70	0.47
S pore Mly Gth	55.89	59.64†	+1.03	...
The Footsie Fd	107.00	112.90†	+1.00	2.72
Tiger Index	142.80	152.30	+0.60	0.61
UK Index	124.50	132.80	+1.00	3.02
CAZENOVE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
3 Copthall Avenue, London EC2R 7BH 071 606 0708				
American P folio	83.45	89.18†	+1.43	1.00
European P folio	72.88	77.67	-0.50	1.38
Japanese P folio	65.27	69.38	-3.66	...
Pacific P folio	100.77	108.36†	-0.46	1.11
Cazenove P folio	71.50	76.48	+0.11	3.00
UK Income Gth	63.32	67.91	+0.32	5.00
Utility & Bond	49.87	50.54	+0.41	7.00
CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENGLAND				
2 Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ 071 588 1815				
Investment Fd	599.55	601.80	...	4.95
Fixed Int	153.15	153.90	...	9.42
Deposit	5.65	...	...	...
CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND				
2 Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ 071 588 1815				
Income	590.99	598.50	...	5.00
-do- Acc	2316.8	2332.7	...	...
Deposit	5.60	...	...	...
Fxd Int Inc	124.45	124.64	...	9.31
-do- Acc	166.60	166.90	...	...
CITY FINANCIAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge, SE1 071 407 5966				
City Fin Assets	62.47	66.18	+0.63	2.28
Beckman Intl	81.44	85.97	+1.02	3.08
Friars Hse Inc	178.61	192.05†	+2.17	6.06
Friars Hse Cap	246.16	264.69	+1.54	2.75
COMMERCIAL UNION TRUST MANAGERS				
Exchange Court, 3 Bedford Park, Croydon CR0 2AQ. Enquiries: 081 681 2222				
Dealing: 081 686 9818				
Smaller Cos	36.13	38.43	+0.15	1.83
-do- Acc	40.71	43.30	+0.17	1.83
Wwide Bd	...	...	...	...
-do- Acc	...	...	...	...
Wwide Sp Sits	56.91	60.87	-0.34	0.24
-do- Acc	59.29	63.41	-0.35	0.24
Quilter	122.91	130.76	+0.55	2.50
-do- Acc	136.51	145.22	+0.61	2.50
Quilter Income	...	...	...	...
-do- Acc	...	...	...	...
EAGLE STAR UNIT MANAGERS				
Bath Road, Cheltenham GL53 7LQ 0242 577 555				
Oriental Op Acc	84.02	89.38	+1.31	0.89
Japanese Acc	62.87	66.88	-2.96	...
UK Balncd Inc	126.30	134.40†	+0.80	2.50
-do- Acc	149.00	158.50†	+0.90	2.50
UK Growth Acc	206.40	219.60†	+0.20	2.20
UK High Inc	132.50	141.00†	+1.70	6.74
-do- Acc	160.40	170.60†	+2.10	6.74
N America Acc	110.70	117.80	+2.00	0.33
European Acc	154.30	164.10	+0.10	0.43
UK Pref F/I Inc	59.66	63.28†	+0.31	8.93
-do- Acc	97.86	103.80†	+0.50	8.93
EDINBURGH UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Donaldson House, 97 Haymarket Terrace, Edinburgh EH12 5HD. 031 313 1000				
American	110.80	117.70	+2.70	0.42
UK Smlr Cos	200.40	213.20†	+0.90	1.17
Eurofund	37.51	39.72	-0.07	1.01
Mngd Exempt	166.40	172.40	-0.30	3.05
Growth Inc	214.10	227.50	+1.20	3.74
High Dist	141.00	149.80†	+0.40	5.17
International	319.60	339.60	...	0.96
Intl Income	80.96	86.42	+0.76	3.01
Pacific	59.79	63.53	+0.79	0.47
Smllr Jap Cos	71.86	76.35	-4.66	...
Tokyo	202.90	215.60	-13.20	...
Japan Exempt	119.90	123.10	-6.60	0.41
Sm Jap Exempt	597.60	614.00	-29.30	0.06
Equity Income	120.60	128.10†	...	3.98
Formerly Target				
American Eagle	...	...	...	...
Australia	6.805	7.225	-0.14	1.09
Euro Spec Sits	140.30	148.70	0.60	0.55
Financial	40.75	43.31	+0.68	2.76
Global Opps Inc	88.36	93.88	-0.56	2.13
-do- Acc	91.59	97.31	+0.57	2.13
Gold Gen Inc	49.47	52.56	+1.87	0.82
-do- Acc	94.96	100.90	+3.61	0.82
Income	119.70	127.20†	...	4.01
Japan General	158.00	167.90	-8.10	...
ENDURANCE FUND MANAGEMENT				
41 Harrington Gardens, London SW7 4JU 071 373 7261				
Endurance	176.80	188.00	-0.70	0.90
EQUITABLE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
Walton St, Aylesbury, Bucks, HP21 7QW 0296 431480				
Pelican	105.21	110.75	+0.71	3.13
High Income	120.50	126.84†	+1.22	4.66
Tst of Inv Tsts	147.73	155.51	+1.39	1.91
Special Sits	86.21	90.75	+0.11	2.37
North American	102.37	107.76	+0.74	0.86
Far Eastern	250.07	263.23	-1.04	1.58
Intl Growth	94.86	99.85	+0.52	1.29
European	62.78	66.08†	-0.66	2.21
Smaller Cos	70.34	74.04†	+0.46	2.09
FAMILY INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT LTD				
16 West Street, Brighton, BN1 2RE 0273 220 707				
United Charities	219.40	233.40	+2.00	3.34
FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVICES LTD				
Oakhill House, 130 Tonbridge Rd, Tonbridge TN11 9DZ. 0800 414161				
Cash Units Tst	100.00	100.00	...	5.30
European Tst	121.80	129.60	+1.00	...
High Income	25.34	26.66†	+0.25	5.62
FOREIGN & COLONIAL				
8th Floor, Exchange Hse, Primrose St, London EC2A 2NY. 071 628 8000				
European	92.94	98.33†	+0.83	0.75
Far Eastern	137.00	146.40	-3.90	...
Overs Income	87.26	93.24	+0.79	2.30
UK Growth	94.34	100.90†	+0.40	0.96
UK Income	99.95	106.90	+0.50	3.25
US Smaller Cos	247.60	264.80	+4.50	0.08
FRAMLINGTON UNIT MANAGEMENT				
155 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 3FT 071 374 4100				
Amer Gth	48.10	51.20	+0.48	...
-do- Acc	48.10	51.20	+0.48	...
Am Smllr Co	419.20	448.20	+4.60	...
-do- Acc	428.20	457.90	+4.70	...
Capital	292.40	311.00	+1.60	2.03
-do- Acc	407.30	433.20	-2.80	2.03
Contl Smllr Cos	47.36	50.98†	-0.27	0.79
-do- Acc	49.50	53.23†	-0.28	0.79
Convertible	114.10	121.20	-2.30	6.03
-do- Acc	216.90	230.10	+1.50	6.03
Emg Mark	52.58	56.17	+1.45	...
-do- Acc	52.58	56.17	+1.45	...
European	94.86	101.20†	-1.20	0.96
-do- Acc	98.89	105.50†	-1.00	0.96
Extra Income	297.90	316.40	+3.30	3.98
-do- Acc	416.50	443.00	+4.60	3.98
Financial	104.30	112.10	+2.00	0.66
-do- Acc	109.20	117.30	+2.10	0.66
Health Fund Inc	117.60	125.60	+1.60	...
-do- Acc	117.60	125.60	+1.60	...
Income Tst	170.40	190.80†	+2.40	3.87
-do- Acc	254.30	270.50†	+3.50	3.87
Intl Growth	313.30	335.00	-0.90	...
-do- Acc	347.90	372.00	-1.00	...
Japan Gen	179.80	191.80	-8.50	...
-do- Acc	181.60	193.70	-8.60	...
Mngd P folio Inc	90.55	95.31	+0.09	0.91
-do- Acc	95.20	100.20	+0.10	0.91
Monthly Income	153.80	163.50	+1.70	5.94
Qrtly Inc	48.97	52.08†	+0.36	5.87
-do- Acc	49.09	52.21†	+0.36	5.87
Recovery	290.40	310.50	-1.50	0.62
-do- Acc	340.10	363.60	-1.80	0.62
UK Growth	46.72	49.91	+0.06	2.59
-do- Acc	46.72	49.91	+0.06	2.59
FRIENDS PROVIDENT MANAGERS				
Castle Street, Salisbury, Wilts, SP1 3SH				
Dealing: 0722 411411				
Administration: 0722 411622				
Equity Dist	347.63	369.82†	-3.18	2.64
-do- Acc	709.86	755.17†	-6.48	2.64
Euro Gth Dist	105.97	112.73	-0.12	1.05
-do- Acc	109.13	116.10	-0.12	1.05
Fixed Int Dist	128.57	137.05†	+1.48	6.39
-do- Acc	220.44	233.17†	+2.52	6.39
Intl Gth Dist	76.97	81.88†	-0.53	0.78
-do- Acc	79.90	85.00†	-0.55	0.78
Nth Amer Dist	167.18	177.10	+3.06	0.88
-do- Acc	181.30	192.06	+3.32	0.88
Pac Basin Dist	248.68	264.55	-7.32	0.10
-do- Acc	252.61	268.73	-7.44	0.10
Stewardship Dist	301.63	320.88†	+0.24	1.74
-do- Acc	359.64	382.60†	+0.27	1.74
Stwd Inc Dist	64.52	68.64†	+0.26	3.17
-do- Acc	79.82	84.92†	+0.33	3.17
N Am Stwd Dist	98.04	104.30	-1.80	...
-do- Acc	103.72	110.34	+1.91	...
GT UNIT MANAGERS				
Alban Gate, 14th Flr, 125 London Wall, Lond EC2Y 5AS. 071 710 4567. Dlg: 071 626 9431				
Am Sp Sits	139.30	149.00	+0.70	...
European	406.60	431.30	-1.30	0.98
Far East General	226.30	241.50	-5.90	0.30
Germany	95.24	100.90	-1.40	0.45
Global Assets In	68.65	73.29†	+0.17	2.20
Global Assets Ac	72.59	77.50	+0.19	2.15
Income Inc	123.10	131.70	+0.20	6.68
International	269.10	287.80	-1.00	0.97
Intl Income	75.67	80.58†	+1.22	4.94
Japan General	371.10	394.60	-10.40	...
Smllr Cos Div	47.40	50.70	+0.23	5.99
UK Capital Inc	171.30	183.20	+2.50	3.77
-do- Acc	293.00	313.40	+4.40	3.58
Uk Spec Sits	77.13	82.50	+0.26	1.53
US General	114.60	122.10†	+1.30	0.11
W wide Spec Sits	115.10	122.80	-1.20	0.11
GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS				
Gartmore House, 16/18 Monument Street, London EC3R 8AJ. 071 623 1212				
Dealing: 0277 264421. Services: 0800 289 336				
UK Growth Funds				
British Growth	44.21	47.27	+0.38	1.52
Cash Trust*	129.01	129.01†	+0.09	4.88
Pract Inv Inc	103.76	111.27	-0.88	4.07
-do- Acc	222.75	238.87	+1.88	4.07
UK Smaller Cos	105.21	112.83	-1.16	0.84
Income Funds				
Preference Share	25.43	27.20	+0.08	7.98
High Inc	31.69	33.89†	-0.22	4.84
UK Equity Inc	128.96	137.92	+1.30	3.91
Global Bond	29.57	30.64†	+0.18	4.70
International Funds				
Gold Intl	82.45	88.42†	+1.18	0.66
Frontier Markets	41.92	44.95	+0.42	0.49
Global Inc Gth	119.08	127.07	+1.43	1.86
UK Intl	112.87	120.72†	+0.62	0.24
Overseas Funds				
American	127.34	136.01†	+2.49	0.49
European	81.24	86.15	-0.36	0.62
Euro Sel Opps	95.55	101.95	-0.10	0.89
GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT				
Shackleton House, 4 Battle Bridge Lane, London SE1 2HR. 071 378 7979				
Dealing: 071 588 8526				
Intl Growth	126.73	135.54	-0.72	0.37
American Gth	122.83	131.37	+1.06	...
European Gth	66.12	70.71	-0.47	0.42
Japan Gth	79.09	84.57	-4.22	...
Pacific Inc	145.25	155.35	-2.33	2.85
Pacific Strategy	126.53	135.32	-0.36	0.25
UK Prog Inc	71.24	75.10†	+0.92	4.61
Gt British Cos	47.52	50.16†	+0.68	2.70
UK Small Cos	45.11	48.34	+0.06	2.12
GRE UNIT MANAGERS				
36 Harbour Exchange Sq, London E14 9GE 071 538 9668				
Cash	131.30	131.30	+0.10	4.63
Gilt Fixed	120.60	128.00	+1.40	6.11
Growth Equity	286.80	306.40†	+2.30	2.17
Guardhill	426.00	455.10	+2.10	2.21
Income Trust	109.50	116.90†	-0.90	3.04
International	156.50	167.20	-0.60	0.36
Japan Trust	124.10	132.50	-5.70	...
Nth American	250.40	267.50	+3.60	0.48
Pacific	373.00	398.40	+3.50	...
European	338.50	361.60†	-2.40	0.74
HALIFAX STANDARD TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
PO Box 608, Edinburgh EH15 1EW 0800 838868				
Global Adv Inc	35.32	37.44	+0.04	1.65
-do- Acc	36.97	39.19	+0.04	1.65
Inc Adv Inc	29.42	31.19†	+0.21	4.04
-do- Acc	30.87	32.73	+0.22	4.04
HAMBROS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex				
Enquiries: 0277 227300				
Dealing: 0277 690390				
Canadian	80.27	85.98	+2.11	1.30
Equity Income	111.70	118.80	+0.20	3.48
European	130.30	138.00	-0.20	1.22
Intl Situation	74.12	78.85	-0.75	...
Japanese	143.50	152.30	-7.40	...
North American	95.24	101.20†	+0.40	...
Scandinavian	112.90	118.90	+0.60	0.01
Smaller Cos	31.14	33.13	-0.12	1.94
HENDERSON				
PO Box 2157, Kings House, 101-135 Kings Road, Brentwood, Essex CM14 4ET				
Enq: 0277 263298 Dealing: 0277 234772				
Amer Smaller	87.57	93.61	+0.52	...
Asian Enterprise	131.13	142.10†	-0.73	0.55
Australian	136.16	145.55	+3.56	1.36
European	367.85	389.30	+0.27	1.30
European Inc	70.39	74.45	-0.17	2.94
Euro Smi Co	118.30	126.13	-1.81	0.56
Extra Income	257.87	274.52†	+2.48	4.85
Family of Funds	70.64	75.40	-0.23	1.25
Fixed Interest	54.95	58.77†	+0.31	7.61
Global Resour	103.69	111.31	+1.32	0.75
High Inc	291.23	311.32	+2.62	4.26
Income Gth	236.16	251.51†	+3.56	3.59
-do- Acc	610.34	650.01†	+9.18	3.59
International	229.39	244.33	+0.64	0.94
Japan Spc Sit	242.80	258.13	-12.08	...
Japan	207.82	221.00	-10.51	...
N Amer	217.27	231.24	+2.90	0.25
Pacific Smllr Cos	194.13	210.14	-3.18	0.27
Pref Gilt	46.00	49.67	+0.19	8.50
Smaller Cos Div	169.18	184.40	-1.49	3.72
Special Sits	260.91	279.17	+1.30	1.71
-do- Acc	402.03	430.17	+1.90	1.71
Best of British	55.19	59.11†	+0.41	2.59
Spirit of the East	60.89	65.01	-1.00	1.36
Henderson TR				
Dealing 071 410 4029				
American Gth	78.46	83.91	+0.21	...
Euro Spec Sits	45.58	48.77	+0.25	1.45
-do- Acc	48.58	51.64	+0.26	1.45
Far East Opps	32.53	35.35†	-0.10	0.42
-do- Acc	33.58	36.49	-0.10	0.42
General Growth	98.61	105.54	+0.85	2.64
Global Tech	121.90	131.70†	+1.95	...
Income Growth	102.61	110.39	+0.36	3.76
Income Monthly	57.11	61.07	+0.13	5.39
Japan Growth	83.02	88.36†	-3.80	...
Overseas Gth	76.18	81.00†	+0.52	0.82
Smaller Cos	74.90	80.57	+0.09	1.63
Special Opps	104.93	112.83	+1.25	1.52
HILL SAMUEL UT MANAGERS				
NLA Tower Addiscombe Road, Croydon 081 686 4355				
British	86.89	92.93†	+1.20	2.26
Capital	155.00	165.70	+1.00	1.89
Dollar	304.00	325.10	+5.50	0.03
European	198.10	211.80	+0.50	0.63
Far East	240.40	257.10	-2.50	0.27
Financial	697.70	746.20	+9.40	1.97
Gilt Fxd Int Inc	25.68	26.64	+0.15	7.81
High Yield	99.96	106.90†	+1.10	4.57
Income	133.60	142.80	+1.90	3.45
Intl	214.10	228.90	+0.70	0.31
Japan Tech	71.88	76.87	-3.71	...
Nat Resources	60.03	64.20	+2.19	0.46
Security	295.60	316.10	+2.50	1.97
Smaller Cos	110.50	118.10	+0.30	1.26
INVESCO MIM UT MANAGERS				
11 Devonshire Square, London EC2M 4YR 071 626 3434. Dealing: 0800 010733				
UK Specialist Trusts				
Smaller Cos	25.16	26.89	-0.55	1.54
Special Features	27.20	28.90	+0.38	1.61
-do- Acc	32.12	34.12	+0.44	1.61
General Funds				
UK Growth	52.92	56.60†	+0.22	1.89
Assets Earnings	70.64	75.05	+0.63	1.89
do Acc	83.02	88.20	+0.73	1.89
Managed Invest	87.20	93.12	-0.55	1.18
Expert Children	74.97	79.95	+0.56	1.81
High Income Funds				
Cashbox	50.70	50.70	+0.03	4.33
Extra Inc	78.96	84.38	+0.27	4.82
Gilt	27.23	28.69†	-0.57	6.88
Income Gth	38.44	41.08	+0.25	3.43
MIMstar	75.86	77.53	+0.41	7.92
Preference	17.59	18.68†	-0.51	6.41
UK Income	308.80	330.20	+4.00	2.91
Sector Specialist Funds				
Fincl Sec	56.92	60.47†	+0.70	1.25
Property Shares	63.95	68.77	-0.56	1.72
Exempt Funds				
Exempt	143.00	150.30†	+1.00	3.12
European Acc	110.90	117.40	+0.10	1.79
European Dist	105.60	111.80	+0.10	1.78
Overseas Growth Funds				
American Gth	48.40	51.51	+0.81	0.91
European Perf	110.00	116.70	+0.70	1.04
-do- Acc	112.00	118.80	+0.60	1.04
Euro Small Cos	21.21	22.56	+0.19	0.74
French Growth	65.08	69.20	+0.20	0.53
-do- Acc	69.52	73.93	+0.22	0.53
Hong K/China	73.81	78.42	+0.12	1.59
Intl Growth	51.48	54.69	-0.22	0.64
-do- Acc	51.48	54.69	-0.22	0.64
Japan Perf	34.72	36.86†	-2.10	...
Accum Units	34.72	36.86†	-2.10	...
Japan Smllr Cos	37.27	39.63	-2.07	...
Singapore Asean	83.11	88.30	-0.64	0.28
-do- Acc	83.63	88.85	-0.64	0.28
South East Asia	238.30	253.10	-4.50	0.94
KLEINWORT BENSON UNIT TRUST LTD				
10 Fenchurch Street, London EC3 071 956 6600. Dealing: 071 956 7394				
Income Trusts				
Cash Acc*	69.57	59.91†	+0.05	4.91
Extra Income	50.96	54.22†	-0.23	7.13
Gilt Yield	117.20	123.70†	+0.30	7.31
Global Income	195.90	208.40†	+0.60	4.20
High Yield	133.00	141.50	-1.20	5.84
Smllr Cos Div	47.89	50.95†	+0.03	4.12
Capital Growth Trusts				
Amer Smllr Cos	88.76	94.43	+2.91	...
North American	75.15	79.95†	+2.59	0.42
European	129.00	137.20†	-1.30	1.63
Euro Special	76.61	81.50	-0.70	0.94
General	262.40	279.10	+2.20	3.20
Japan	428.00	455.30	-23.20	...
Japanese Special	240.90	256.30	-11.00	...
Master Acc	215.10	228.80	+1.20	1.38
Pacific	271.40	288.70	+2.80	0.56
Smaller Cos	101.90	108.40†	+4.20	1.55
LAS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
113 Dundas St, Edinburgh EH3 5EB 031 550 5151				
European	72.95	77.61†	+0.28	1.03
Extra Income	23.76	25.28†	+0.12	3.26
Far East	27.67	29.44	-0.32	0.89
Income Gwth	72.47	77.10	+0.69	2.76
Intl Growth	31.68	34.98	+0.26	0.68
Japan	66.25	70.48	-1.04	...
Maximum Dist*	100.10	102.10	+0.10	6.91
N Amer Equity	38.32	40.77†	+1.02	0.27
UK Equity	86.44	91.96	+0.86	2.94
LAURENCE KEEN UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT				
1 White Hart Yard, London SE1. 071 407 5966				
Income Gth Inc	53.19	56.59	+0.27	4.42
LEGAL & GENERAL UT MANAGERS				
5 Rayleigh Road, Hutton, Brentwood Essex				
Enq: 0277 222308. Dealing: 0277 690395				
Equity Dist	424.00	451.10	-4.20	2.74
Equity Acc	804.80	856.20	+7.50	2.74
Equity Income	91.31	97.14	+1.03	4.79
European	94.69	100.70	-0.10	1.29
Far Eastern	184.30	196.10	-3.90	...
Fixed Interest	51.48	54.77†	+0.32	6.37
Gilt	90.15	95.60	+0.62	6.43
Global Growth	65.77	69.97†	-0.34	0.46
Intl Bond	56.48	60.09	+0.04	4.73
Japanese	71.04	75.57	-3.43	...
Overseas Equity	94.58	100.60†	-0.50	0.05
Pacific Gth	87.14	92.70	-0.26	0.45
LLOYDS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
Mountbatten Hse, Chatham, Kent ME4 4JF 0634 834313				
Balanced	310.20	330.10	-1.60	2.90
-do- Acc	681.50	725.00	-3.60	2.90
Contl Euro Gth	50.03	52.67	-0.24	1.45
-do- Acc	52.91	55.70	-0.25	1.45
Extra Inc	234.70	249.70	-1.50	3.88
-do- Acc	580.10	617.20	-4.00	3.88
German Gth	99.27	104.50	-1.20	0.29
-do- Acc	104.20	109.70	-1.20	0.29
Growth Port	486.70	517.80	+0.70	1.14
-do- Acc	486.70	517.80	+0.70	1.14
Income	447.60	476.20	+3.60	3.52
-do- Acc	1148.0	1222.0	+9.00	3.52
Income Port	486.30	517.60	+3.10	4.31
-do- Acc	491.00	522.40	+2.80	4.31
Japan Growth	96.43	102.60	-5.20	0.01
-do- Acc	96.77	103.00	-5.20	0.01
Master Trust	50.66	53.90	-1.01	1.43
-do- Acc	55.77	59.33	-0.39	1.43
N American Gen	181.00	192.60	+4.40	0.01
-do- Acc	209.10	222.50	+5.00	0.01
NAm Sm Co Rec	137.30	146.10	+0.20	0.01
-do- Acc	140.10	149.10	+0.20	0.01
Pacific Basin	204.20	217.30	-0.10	0.60
-do- Acc	215.80	229.60	-0.10	0.60
Small Cos Rec	312.50	329.00	+9.00	2.09
-do- Acc	405.90	428.40	+11.60	2.09
UK Growth	78.52	83.54	+1.92	2.29
-do- Acc	91.55	97.40	+2.24	2.29
Worldwide Gth	279.10	297.00†	+2.60	0.17
LONDON & MANCHESTER				
Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS 0392 282673				
General	76.76	82.36†	+0.31	2.80
Income	60.10	64.49	+0.39	5.30
International	56.63	60.76†	-0.19	0.70
American	58.84	63.13	+0.99	0.30
Japan	54.09	58.04	-2.75	...
Tst of Inv Trusts	56.54	60.66	+0.52	1.80
M & G SECURITIES LTD				
Victoria Rd, Chelmsford CM1 1FB				
Customer Services/Unit Dealing 0245 390390				
American Gen	385.30	407.10	+8.50	0.87
-do- Acc	475.40	502.30	+10.50	0.87
American Rec	405.70	428.00†	+3.80	0.23
-do- Acc	464.90	491.50	+4.30	0.23
Am Sm Co Acc	118.60	125.50	+2.80	...
Australia Acc	156.50	165.40	+4.20	1.14
Capital	667.80	706.20	+7.20	2.41
-do- Acc	736.80	779.20	+7.90	2.41
Commodity Acc	422.80	447.10	+0.30	0.80
Compnd Gth	817.80	864.70	+9.80	2.87
Dividend	35.20	37.20†	+0.50	4.10
-do- Acc	139.40	147.50	+2.00	4.10
Equity Inc	300.80	318.10	+1.90	4.66
European Div	59.40	62.80	+0.39	4.32
-do- Acc	67.20	71.00	+0.30	4.32
European Gen	380.90	402.80	-2.80	1.17
-do- Acc	475.90	503.20	-3.50	1.17
Extra Yield	375.80	397.40	+3.10	4.30
-do- Acc	1098.8	1162.1	+9.10	4.30
Far Eastern	303.60	321.10	-1.80	0.76
-do- Acc	399.40	422.30	-2.50	0.76
Fund of Inv	505.80	534.90†	+7.60	2.14
-do- Acc	922.70	975.70	+13.90	2.14
General	53.80	56.90	+0.90	3.52
-do- Acc	141.60	150.00	+1.40	3.52
Gilt Fxd Int	61.50	61.60†	+0.70	7.64
do Acc	154.60	154.80	+1.60	7.64
Gold	52.40	55.40	+1.30	0.92
-do- Acc	61.30	64.80	+1.50	0.92
High Inc	24.70	26.10†	+0.20	4.46
-do- Acc	93.50	98.90	+0.70	4.46
Intl Growth	68.20	72.10	-0.10	0.90
-do- Acc	117.60	124.40	-0.10	0.90
Intl Inc	93.00	98.30	+0.70	4.57
Japan Gen Acc	50.10	53.00	-2.60	...
Japan Smllr Cos	149.80	158.10	-8.50	...
Midland	55.40	58.60	+0.10	3.20
-do- Acc	177.30	187.60	+0.30	3.20
Recovery	36.70	38.80	...	2.60
-do- Acc	57.70	61.10	+0.20	2.60
Second Gen	62.00	66.00	+0.70	3.37
-do- Acc	151.60	160.40	+1.40	3.37
MARKS & SPENCER UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
PO Box 410, Chester X, CH99 9QG 0244 680066				
Inv Port Inc	136.40	145.80	-0.80	1.98
-do- Acc	151.40	161.80	-0.90	1.98
UK Income	113.20	121.00†	+1.30	2.61
-do- Acc	127.90	136.80†	+1.50	2.61
MARTIN CURRIE UNIT TRUSTS LTD				
Saltire Court, 20 Castle Terrace, Edinburgh EH1 2ES. 031 229 5252				
Emerg Mkts	82.27	87.98	+0.96	0.77
Far East (Pacific)	134.90	143.20†	-2.30	0.64
Income Growth	70.68	75.03†	+0.50	3.50
European	66.24	70.31	-0.34	1.29
Nth American	55.87	59.30†	+0.99	1.03
UK Growth	75.58	80.23	+0.15	1.61
Intl Growth	93.64	99.40	-1.10	0.65
Charities	106.40	112.90†	+0.80	3.77
Intl Income	67.02	71.14†	+0.61	4.24
Japan	53.10	56.36	-2.09	...
MERCURY FUND MANAGERS LTD				
33 King William St, EC4R 9AS. 071 280 2860				
American	184.60	196.30†	+4.20	...
-do- Acc	197.30	209.70	+4.40	...
Cash	100.80	100.80	+0.10	5.54
-do- Acc	129.60	129.60	+0.10	5.54
European Gth	190.40	201.90	-0.70	0.79
-do- Acc	203.80	216.00	-0.90	0.79
General	458.80	489.40	+3.50	2.47
-do- Acc	872.60	930.80	+6.50	2.47
Global Dist	131.00	137.70	+1.10	5.30
-do- Acc	146.60	154.10	+1.30	5.30
Income	135.30	144.30†	+0.40	4.72
-do- Acc	199.60	212.90†	+0.60	4.72
International	381.80	406.80†	-0.90	0.69
-do- Acc	507.80	541.00†	+1.10	0.69
Japan	182.40	193.60	-10.50	...
-do- Acc	187.20	198.70	-10.70	...
New Europe	138.00	147.30	-0.20	1.76
-do- Acc	140.30	149.70	-0.20	1.76
Recovery	291.50	311.00†	+0.90	2.88
-do- Acc	368.30	392.90†	+0.90	2.88
European Inc	72.43	76.98†	-1.00	3.17
-do- Acc	93.60	99.46†	+0.56	3.17
Brit Blue Chip	71.41	76.03	+0.44	3.31
-do- Acc	84.22	89.65	+0.49	3.31
Portfolio	73.21	77.85	+0.20	2.91
-do- Acc	83.24	88.83	+0.24	2.91
Gold General	118.70	127.70†	+2.80	0.73
-do- Acc	121.40	130.60†	+3.90	0.73
Pacific	94.12	100.40	-0.46	0.83
-do- Acc	99.46	106.10	-0.50	0.83
MIDLAND UNIT TRUSTS LTD				
152 Eyre Street, Sheffield, S1 3RD				
Dealing: 0742 529 280				
Enquiries: 0742 529 076				
Balanced Dist	56.85	60.80	+0.24	2.90
-do- Acc	57.72	61.73	+0.24	2.90
British Dist	76.23	81.53	+0.33	2.09
-do- Acc	86.29	92.29	+0.37	2.09
European Gth	166.30	177.70†	-0.10	0.25
-do- Acc	208.80	223.10	-0.20	0.25
Extra High Inc	68.17	72.91	+0.46	6.29
-do- Acc	119.90	128.20	+0.80	6.29
FT-SE 100 Index	48.37	51.73	+0.53	2.64
-do- Acc	48.37	51.73	+0.53	2.64
Gilt Fixed Int	55.29	57.56†	+0.29	7.03
-do- Acc	147.50	153.60	+0.80	7.03
High Yield	215.00	229.90	+1.60	4.77
-do- Acc	504.60	539.70	+3.70	4.77
Income	277.20	296.50	+1.90	3.36
-do- Acc	576.20	616.30	+3.90	3.36
Japan Gth	339.10	362.70	-18.00	...
-do- Acc	357.90	382.80	-19.00	...
Mandarin Acc	98.33	105.20	+0.40	0.47
MORGAN GRENFELL INVESTMENT FUNDS LTD				
20 Finsbury Circus, London EC2M 1UT				
Dealing: 071 826 0826				
Enquiries: 071 826 0123				
American Gth	259.30	276.00	+3.60	...
Deposit Inc	99.99	99.99†	+0.07	4.70
Deposit Acc	122.66	122.66†	+0.07	4.70
Euro Gth Acc	277.80	297.10†	+2.00	...
Europa	123.70	132.60	+1.30	...
Intl Gth	168.00	179.60†	-2.10	...
Japan Tracker	77.03	81.61†	-3.56	...
UK Equity Inc	146.80	156.10†	+1.70	4.15
-do- Acc	180.00	193.90†	+2.10	4.15
UK Ind Tracker	142.30	152.30	+0.90	3.16
US Eq Ind Trkr	190.00	201.60	+3.40	1.44
-do- Acc	201.00	213.30	+3.60	1.44
Asian Trader	159.90	173.70†	-1.20	0.46
MURRAY JOHNSTONE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT				
7 West Nile St, Glasgow G2 2PX. 0345 090 933				
American Inc	163.90	168.00	+2.60	2.27
Australian	59.85	61.10	-0.53	1.60
Olympiad	53.86	55.24	-0.78	0.33
Global Bond	47.25	47.78†	+0.50	6.61
Smaller Cos	66.30	69.37†	-0.38	0.92
Equity Income	90.58	93.07†	+0.86	3.20
UK Growth	81.73	84.17	+0.37	2.12
NM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
The Bittes Centre, North Harbour, Portsmouth. Enquiries: 0705 372222				
Dealing: 0705 387730				
American Acc	46.07	49.14	+0.97	1
Australian Acc	288.20	309.20	+3.00	...
Conscience	61.68	65.82†	-0.10	1.08
-do- Acc	66.57	71.04	-0.10	1.08
European	164.40	175.30	-0.30	1.11
-do- Acc	176.90	188.60	-0.50	1.11
Extra Income	71.47	76.27	+0.24	5.82
-do- Acc	108.80	116.10	+0.30	5.82
Far East Gth	165.20	176.30	-2.50	0.07
Gilt Fxd Inc	58.13	61.54	+0.40	6.30
Gold	43.31	46.56	+1.54	...
-do- Acc	46.64	50.15	+1.66	...
Income	50.80	54.18†	+0.16	5.19
-do- Acc	155.90	165.80	+0.50	5.19
International	29.11	31.23	-0.26	1.06
-do- Acc	41.82	44.87	-0.38	1.06
Jap Sm Cos Acc	332.60	355.80	-22.20	...
S pore Mly Acc	189.40	203.10	+1.40	...
Smllr Cos Acc	24.86	26.73†	-0.05	2.06
N&P UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
35 Fountain St, Manchester M2 2AF 061 237 5322				
N&P UK Growth	67.54	71.86	+0.55	2.74
N&P Glt Fxd Int	74.06	78.78	+0.25	6.62
N&P Higher Inc	191.70	204.00†	-2.50	4.56
N&P UK Income	99.77	106.14†	+1.24	3.88
N&P Intl	85.96	91.45	-0.15	1.59
N&P Smaller Cos	76.26	81.13	-0.50	1.47
NEWTON FUND MANAGERS				
2 London Bridge, London SE1 9RA 071 407 4404				
General	162.76	173.15	+1.40	2.33
Global	283.20	301.28	+1.10	1.14
Growth	107.64	114.52	+1.17	2.55
Income	199.51	212.25	+1.53	4.40
Intl Bond	126.59	134.41	+1.79	6.49
PEARL UNIT TRUST LTD				
PO Box 590, Peterborough PE2 6BR 0733 470470. Dealing: 0800 626577				
Growth	135.80	142.90†	+0.90	2.59
-do- Acc	240.60	253.20	+1.90	2.59
Income	216.90	230.70	+2.20	3.58
Intl Equity	220.60	234.60	-0.90	0.88
-do- Acc	241.30	256.90	-1.00	0.88
Equity	213.20	226.80†	+1.80	2.47
-do- Acc	437.70	465.50	+3.60	2.47
UK Intl 25 Acc	68.69	73.07	-0.46	1.97
UK Income	60.13	63.97	+0.61	3.07
UK Smllr Co Acc	74.13	78.86	-0.31	1.42
New Europe Acc	60.60	64.47	+0.16	1.37
PERPETUAL UNIT TRUST				
48 Hart Street, Henley on Thames 0491 417000				
Asian Smllr Mkt	96.09	102.77	+0.80	0.20
PEP Gth Inc	99.84	106.79	-0.60	1.22
Intl Gth	480.84	514.27	-5.85	0.63
Income	299.22	320.03	+2.39	3.46
W wide Recov	306.04	327.32	-3.70	0.27
American Gth	202.97	217.09	+4.23	0.01
Intl Emerg Cos	184.50	197.33	-0.80	0.08
Far East Gth	214.16	229.05	-6.61	0.07
European Gth	109.73	117.36	-1.34	1.28
UK Growth	76.23	81.53	+0.81	3.00
High Income	83.42	89.22	+0.98	4.52
Japanese Gth	213.81	227.64	-14.08	0.01
PROLIFIC UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
Walbrook Hse, 23 Walbrook, London EC4N 8LD. Dealing: 0800 282445				
International	172.70	183.80	+0.40	0.85
High Income	107.60	114.50	+2.10	3.74
Conv Gilt	109.00	116.00†	+0.30	6.15
Far East	307.70	327.30	-2.60	0.27
Global Inc Acc	31.15	33.14	+0.24	3.14
PROSPERITY UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT				
1 Sessions Hse Sq, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XX. 0622 674751				
American	50.50	53.72	+0.87	0.20
Emerging Mkts	63.56	67.62	+0.74	0.56
General	46.79	49.77†	+0.43	3.23
International	82.14	87.38	-0.56	1.38
Gth Units	25.35	26.03†	+0.14	7.40
Global PEP	34.51	36.71	-0.09	2.11
Income Gth	64.47	68.59†	+0.47	4.78
European	41.66	44.31	+0.08	0.68
Gilt/Fixed Int	25.14	26.74†	+0.03	5.85
PRUDENTIAL UNIT TRUSTS LTD				
51/59 Ilford Hill, Ilford, Essex IG1 2DL 081 478 3377. Enquiries: 071 911 4490				
Intermediary Dealing: 071 911 4314				
Pricebank: 0426 925091				
Pru Mngd Tst	31.05	33.20	...	1.78
Pru Cth Hvn Inc	101.25	101.25†	+0.07	5.11
-do- Acc	105.38	105.38†	+0.08	5.11
Pru Equity	651.57	696.86	+7.20	2.60
Pru Equity Inc	77.49	82.87†	+1.13	4.74
Pru European	169.79	181.59†	+0.55	1.25
Pru Global Gth	78.66	84.12	+0.08	1.23
Pru High Inc	82.61	88.35†	+0.89	4.95
Pru Intl	159.66	170.74	-1.06	1.00
Pru Intl Sm Co	68.26	73.00	-0.75	0.72
Pru Japanese	199.18	213.02	-9.35	...
Pru Nth Amer	138.56	148.19†	+1.82	0.86
Pru Pacific Mkt	76.75	82.08	+0.22	1.33
Pru Premr Inc	49.11	51.14	-0.37	7.48
Pru Smllr Cos	82.26	87.97†	+0.49	2.05
Pru Spec Sits	97.67	104.45	+0.85	2.43
Pru UK Growth	109.04	116.62	+1.04	2.32
ROTHSCHILD FUND MANAGEMENT				
St Swithin's Lane, London EC4N 8NR				
Dealing: 071 634 2861/4				
NC Income	151.23	162.88†	+2.07	3.61
NC Japan	272.13	291.61	-14.77	...
NC Mid UK Cos	90.72	97.50†	+0.52	2.54
NC America Inc	474.43	508.80	+10.28	0.75
-do- Acc	551.05	590.97	+11.94	0.75
NC Smlr UK Cos	265.11	288.88	-0.81	1.51
NC European	247.77	264.68	-0.67	1.41
SAVE & PROSPER GROUP				
16-22 Western Rd, Romford RM1 3LB 0708 766966 or 0800 929029 (IFAs only)				
Amer Inc Gth	71.42	75.97	+0.79	3.71
Capital Units	142.80	151.90†	+0.40	1.39
Commodity	102.80	109.30	+1.70	1.19
European Gth	151.60	161.20	...	1.32
Financial Sec	171.50	182.40†	+3.00	1.85
High Return	215.10	228.80	+3.90	4.42
High Yield	202.90	215.80	+2.70	4.05
Income Units	108.60	115.50	+1.30	4.93
Investment	176.20	187.40	+1.70	1.28
Japan Gth	154.50	164.30	-7.80	...
Japan Smaller	183.60	195.30†	-12.70	...
Masterfund	46.19	49.13†	-0.18	1.30
Scotbits	251.00	267.00	+4.70	1.54
Scotshares	256.70	273.00†	+1.20	2.26
Scotyields	222.40	236.50	+3.20	3.91
Select Intl	127.20	135.30	-0.80	0.42
Smaller Cos	228.50	243.00	-0.50	3.96
Special Situation	110.30	117.30†	+0.90	0.82
UK Equity	223.10	237.30	+2.00	2.68
US Growth	137.10	145.80	+2.30	0.39
SCHRODER UNIT TRUSTS LTD				
33 Gutter Lane, London EC2V 8AS. Client Line: 0800 526 535. Broker Line: 0800 526 540				
American	232.01	247.47†	+3.12	0.50
-do- Acc	251.37	268.12	+3.41	0.50
Australian	123.47	131.70	+1.39	0.91
-do- Acc	145.16	154.83	+1.63	0.91
UK Enterprise	212.18	226.32	+2.59	2.34
-do- Acc	245.11	261.45	+2.99	2.34
European Gth	59.94	63.72†	-0.35	1.52
-do- Acc	62.26	66.18	-0.37	1.52
Euro Smllr Cos	54.93	58.41	-0.41	0.44
-do- Acc	55.31	58.85	-0.41	0.44
Far Eastern Gth	71.84	76.62	-1.57	...
-do- Acc	73.00	77.86	-1.59	...
Fixed Interest	53.20	56.09	+0.59	6.89
-do- Acc	64.61	68.12	+0.73	6.89
Gilt Income	102.82	108.35	+0.85	7.59
-do- Acc	143.81	151.52	+1.18	7.59
Income	313.92	334.84	+2.73	3.89
-do- Acc	925.95	987.69	+8.07	3.89
Japan Enterprise	68.00	72.53	-3.49	...
-do- Acc	68.00	72.53	-3.49	...
Japan Smllr Cos	474.68	506.32	-25.63	...
-do- Acc	475.63	507.33	-25.68	...
Pacific Gth	96.71	103.15	+1.24	0.07
-do- Acc	99.58	106.21	+1.27	0.07
Smaller Cos	187.37	199.86†	-0.63	0.89
-do- Acc	216.52	230.94	-0.73	0.89
Tokyo	107.36	114.51	-4.65	...
-do- Acc	108.44	115.67	-4.70	...
UK Equity	209.10	223.03	+1.60	2.64
-do- Acc	387.22	413.04	+2.97	2.64
US Smllr Cos	132.81	141.66†	-2.59	...
-do- Acc	132.81	141.66	+2.59	...
World Fd	70.30	74.98	+0.27	1.46
-do- Acc	74.12	79.06	+0.29	1.46
SCOTTISH AMICABLE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
150 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5NQ 041 204 2200				
Equity Income	45.58	48.54	-1.00	3.72
Equity Strategy	65.38	67.50	-0.64	1.01
European Opps	70.34	74.91	-0.36	3.22
Maximum Inc	99.28	101.84	+0.11	5.18
UK Smaller Cos	53.72	57.21	-0.08	3.21
SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS				
19 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh. 031 225 2211				
UK Equity	342.00	365.40	-2.90	2.26
American	241.40	256.40	-0.20	0.91
Pacific	330.40	351.40	-9.40	0.63
European	443.30	473.10	-1.90	1.23
Worldwide	79.15	84.65	+0.14	1.07
SCOTTISH MUTUAL INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT				
109 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5HN 041 248 6100				
UK Equity	299.80	319.00†	+1.50	2.70
UK Sm Cos Eqty	207.40	220.70†	+0.40	1.04
European	327.50	348.40	-0.50	1.83
North American	249.80	265.80	+5.30	0.60
Income Plus Inc	65.22	69.39	+0.33	1.06
UK Spec Sits	66.69	70.95	+0.64	2.79
SCOTTISH PROVIDENT INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT LTD				
6 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh EH2 2YA 031 558 2341/2/3				
Equity Gth Acc	25.39	27.18	+0.18	2.84
Intl Growth Acc	29.30	31.25	-0.08	1.04
Market Ldrs Acc	26.06	27.89	+0.25	2.92
FOR SGTX TRUSTS SEE HENDERSON				
SINGER & FRIEDLANDER INVESTMENT FUNDS LTD				
21 New Street, Bishopsgate, London EC2M 2HR 071 626 6226				
European	197.17	...	-0.37	...
Global Bond	100.73	...	+0.63	7.50
Japan Samurai	194.15	...	-7.55	...
UK Growth	100.21	...	-0.01	4.12
STANDARD LIFE TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
3 George St, Edinburgh EH2 2XZ 0800 393777				
Managed	44.00	46.75	-0.02	1.68
Equity Gth Acc	59.90	63.65	-0.22	1.58
UK Eq General	41.58	44.18	-0.16	2.26
-do- Acc	54.90	58.34	+0.14	2.26
European Acc	40.94	43.50	-0.15	1.28
Far East Acc	55.53	59.01	-1.21	0.24
Gilt Fxd Int Inc	30.30	32.05	+0.31	6.63
N American Acc	43.53	45.19	+0.33	0.70
O/s Lgr Cos Acc	277.20	300.80	-2.90	1.46
UK Eq High Inc	34.95	37.14	+0.02	3.91
-do- Acc	41.50	44.10	+0.02	3.91
UK Lgr Cos Inc	287.40	311.90	+2.10	3.76
UK Lgr Cos Acc	374.20	406.10	+2.80	3.76
STATE STREET UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
Birchin Court, 20 Birchin Lane, London EC3V 9AQ. 071 626 1977				
Global A	N£253.61	N£253.84	-0.08	1.20
US Eq	$2.058	$2.186	+0.01	0.80
Far East Eq	Y236.7	Y251.4	-10.40	...
Japan Eq	Y241.2	Y256.2	-9.70	...
FT Europe	111.50	118.30	+1.70	2.19
FT North Am	$1.709	$1.812	+0.01	1.04
FT Japan	Y238.3	Y253.1	-7.40	...
FT Asia Ex Jap	$1.920	$2.039	-0.01	1.69
STEWART IVORY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
45 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh 031 226 3271				
American	334.10	355.90	+7.40	0.32
British	934.70	988.90	+9.70	4.10
European	387.00	412.20	-0.30	1.41
Japan	144.70	153.70	-6.60	...
New Pacific	294.10	313.20	-3.00	1.28
Mngd Cash	96.11	96.11	+0.07	5.06
Majority Stg	100.30	101.31	+0.07	4.78
Inv Tst	189.70	201.10	+1.90	1.79
Saints PPP	380.40	400.50	+20.70	...
SUN ALLIANCE				
Adams, 5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Essex 0277 222300 Dealing: 0277 690389				
Equity Acc	719.50	769.50	+6.40	3.19
N America Acc	114.10	122.00	+2.30	0.18
Far East Acc	124.00	132.60	-0.30	...
W wide Bond	60.79	64.53	+0.68	5.37
European	82.13	87.84	-0.50	0.80
Equity Income	80.32	85.90†	-0.91	4.24
SUN LIFE OF CANADA				
Basingview, Basingstoke, Hants RG21 2DZ				
Dealing: 0256 841414				
American Gth	33.95	36.32	+0.67	0.63
Managed Assets	118.12	126.34	+0.92	3.44
UK Income	35.97	38.48†	+0.24	3.14
UK Growth	36.10	38.61	+0.28	2.40
Worldwide Gth	30.91	33.06†	-0.01	0.36
TSB UNIT TRUSTS LTD				
Charlton Place, Andover, Hants. SP10 1RE 0264 346794				
American	203.53	216.52	+5.30	0.12
-do- Acc	223.54	237.81	+5.82	0.12
British Gth	85.13	90.56	+0.82	1.90
-do- Acc	100.17	106.56	+0.98	1.90
European	92.88	98.81	+0.98	0.93
-do- Acc	97.98	104.23	+1.04	0.93
Extra Inc	185.61	197.46	+2.29	3.98
-do- Acc	296.10	315.00	+3.66	3.98
General Unit	264.70	281.69	+2.75	2.43
-do- Acc	522.49	555.84	+5.44	2.43
Income	317.72	338.00	+4.22	3.60
-do- Acc	660.25	702.39†	+8.77	3.60
International	478.34	508.88	-1.31	0.46
-do- Acc	628.20	668.17	-1.72	0.46
Pacific	343.49	365.41†	+2.09	...
-do- Acc	360.81	383.84†	+2.19	...
Premier Income	50.61	52.72	+0.39	6.75
-do- Acc	105.51	109.91	+0.81	6.75
THORNTON UNIT MANAGERS LTD				
33 Cavendish Sq, London W1M 7HF 071 493 7262 Dealing: 071 493 8545				
European Opps	59.68	63.54	-0.20	0.46
-do- Acc	60.30	64.21	-0.19	0.46
Far East Opps	151.77	161.88	-3.08	...
-do- Acc	155.31	165.66	-3.14	...
WAVERLEY UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
13 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh EH2 4DJ 031 225 1551				
Australian Gold	16.82	17.89	+0.78	0.50
Pacific Basin	31.25	33.24	+0.08	0.60
Canadian Gth	36.90	39.25	+0.29	...
Global Bond	$0.957	$0.997	-0.00	7.25
Penny Share	24.58	26.14	-1.03	1.50
WHITTINGDALE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS				
2 Honey Lane, London EC2V 8BT 071 606 3232				
City Reserve	52.86	52.87	+0.04	5.40
Gilt Growth	66.61	69.32	+0.61	...
Gilt Income	51.37	53.48†	-0.46	7.75
Short Dtd Gilt	106.70	108.10	...	...
US Govmnt Bd	$0.715	$0.724	+0.00	...
Challenger	92.15	94.29	+1.37	...
WOOLWICH UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
2 White Oak Square, Swanley BR8 7AG 081 298 4800				
Stockmarket Fd	67.82	72.14	+1.07	2.02

Source: Finstat

* Yield expressed as CAR (Compound Annual Return); † Ex dividend; ‡ Middle price; ... No significant data.

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ASDA Gp	2,700	Carlton C	711	Legal & Gn	725	Scot & New	2,100
Abbey Natl	3,100	Coats Vyla	593	Lloyds Bk	3,600	Scot Power	4,200
Alld-Lyons	3,600	Cm Union	637	MB Cardn	537	Sears	6,500
Anglian W	1,300	Courtaulds	877	Marks Spr	2,600	Svrn Trent	4,600
Argyll Gp	7,500	De La Rue	591	NFC	1,200	Shell Trans	5,000
Arjo Wig	3,300	Enterpr Oil	1,000	NatWst Bk	3,300	Siebe	701
AB Foods	519	Fisons	4,800	Nat Power	3,000	SmKl Bch	2,200
BAA	2,100	Forte	3,200	Nth Wst W	1,300	Smith Nph	8,400
BAT Inds	3,700	GRE	2,200	Nthrn Fds	3,600	Sthrn Elec	465
BOC	984	GUS A	143	P & O	1,900	Std Chartd	1,300
BP	5,300	Gen Acc	1,800	Pearson	936	Sun Allnce	1,200
BT	6,700	Gen Elec	8,400	PowerGen	1,300	TI Gp	517
BTR	5,000	Glaxo	5,500	Prudential	2,800	TSB	7,100
Bk of Scot	3,200	Granada	2,600	RTZ	1,600	Tate & Lyle	4,600
Barclays	2,900	Grand Met	6,400	Rank Org	540	Tesco	6,200
Bass	6,200	Guinness	4,800	Reckitt Col	962	Thames W	2,300
Blue Circle	2,300	HSBC	2,400	Redland	2,100	Thrn EMI	1,200
Boots	2,900	Hanson	8,900	Reed Intl	2,400	Tomkins	1,700
Bowater	711	ICI	2,100	Rentokil	2,000	Unilever	1,400
Brit Airwys	2,600	Inchcape	1,700	Reuters	1,300	Utd Bisc	2,300
Brit Gas	7,300	Kingfisher	6,400	Rothmans	2,600	Vodafone	2,600
Brit Steel	3,100	Kwik Save	833	Ryl Ins	3,800	Wellcome	2,000
Burmah C	239	LASMO	4,300	Ryl Bk Scot	606	Whitbd 'A'	1,300
Cable Wire	1,200	Ladbroke	3,600	Sainsbury	3,700	Wlms Hld	2,900
Cadbury	1,200	Land Secs	1,800	Scot Hydro	717	Zeneca	4,200

MAJOR INDICES

New York (midday):
Dow Jones 3515.53 (-6.36)
S&P Composite 446.42 (-2.12)

Tokyo:
Nikkei Av'ge 19804.54 (-120.97)

Hong Kong:
Hang Seng 7200.75 (+11.65)

Amsterdam:
CBS Tendency 109.2 (+0.3)

Sydney: AO 1730.4 (+3.3)

Frankfurt:
DAX 1686.90 (-5.39)

FT 30 share: 2252.5 (+3.8)

Brussels:
General 6305.67 (+28.46)

Paris: CAC 520.52 (-3.58)

Zurich: SKA Gen 520.10 (-1.10)

London:
FT A All-Share 1422.43 (+1.44)
FT 500 1541.52 (+1.83)
FT Gold Mines 180.8 (+6.3)
FT Fixed Interest 113.03 (+0.56)
FT Govt Secs 96.03 (+0.08)
Bargains 34637
SEAQ Volume 712.5m
USM (Datastrm) 139.27 (+0.28)

TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

First Dealings	Last Dealings	Last Declaration	For Settlement
June 14	June 25	September 16	September 27

Call options were taken out on 18/6/93: Aminex, Br Data Management, Cupid, Division, Evered Bardon, Ferranti Intl, NSM, Porter Chadburn, Ratners Prf, Tadpole, Waterglade Prf.
Puts: NSM, Proteus Intl, Waterglade Prf. Puts & Calls: Division, Millwall.

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

	Period	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume
FT-SE 100	Jun 93	2885.0	2890.0	2881.5	2882.0	3424
Previous open interest: 51478	Sep 93	2904.0	2918.0	2901.0	2908.0	9352
Three Month Sterling	Sep 93	94.11	94.13	94.07	94.09	24416
Previous open interest: 303516	Dec 93	94.19	94.21	94.15	94.17	7838
	Mar 94	94.08	94.08	94.04	94.06	5737
Three Mth Eurodollar	Sep 93	96.53	96.54	96.51	96.49	301
Previous open interest: 12358	Dec 93	96.10	96.10	96.06	96.02	269
Three Mth Euro DM	Sep 93	93.26	93.33	93.26	93.32	42871
Previous open interest: 528211	Dec 93	93.87	93.93	93.86	93.92	16955
Long Gilt	Jun 93	106-12	106-17	106-12	106-18	185
Previous open interest: 74862	Sep 93	105-10	105-23	105-10	105-20	28428
Japanese Govmt Bond	Sep 93	108.52	108.55	108.30	108.36	1945
	Dec 93				107.70	0
German Gov Bd Bund	Sep 93	94.83	95.36	94.78	95.25	92897
Previous open interest: 161210	Dec 93	95.00	95.45	95.00	95.39	1492
German Gov Bd Bobl	Sep 93	99.06	99.34	99.03	99.27	6854
Previous open interest: 17790	Dec 93				99.48	0
Three month ECU	Sep 93	93.37	93.46	93.37	93.45	2175
Previous open interest: 19814	Dec 93	93.75	93.85	93.75	93.84	1116
Euro Swiss Franc	Sep 93	95.44	95.49	95.44	95.46	4383
Previous open interest: 33701	Dec 93	95.67	95.71	95.67	95.70	1033
Italian Govmt Bond	Sep 93	100.97	101.66	100.95	101.59	15698
Previous open interest: 46071	Dec 93	100.95	101.31	100.95	101.27	37

Exchange index compared with 1985 was same at 79.9 (day's range 79.9-80.0).

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

Mkt Rates for June 18	Range	Close	1 month	3 month
Amsterdam	2.8077-2.8208	2.8171-2.8206	1¼-3¼ds	1½-3½ds
Brussels	51.54-51.71	51.62-51.68	3-8ds	10-15ds
Copenhagen	9.5780-9.6340	9.6120-9.6340	1¾-2¾ds	3¾-5¼ds
Dublin	1.0255-1.0285	1.0260-1.0282	9-13ds	26-33ds
Frankfurt	2.5071-2.5172	2.5118-2.5151	3¼-1¼pr	7¼-3¼pr
Lisbon	238.19-239.60	239.14-239.60	124-143ds	372-435ds
Madrid	191.12-192.51	192.22-192.51	90-106ds	231-283ds
Milan	2271.80-2283.20	2273.10-2279.20	7-9ds	22-25ds
Montreal	1.9086-1.9286	1.9086-1.9107	0.23-0.16pr	0.46-0.37pr
New York	1.4965-1.5100	1.4965-1.4975	0.34-0.32pr	1.01-0.97pr
Oslo	10.5650-10.6180	10.5950-10.6180	¾-1¼ds	1¼-2¾ds
Paris	8.4170-8.4649	8.4410-8.4610	1¼-1¾ds	2¾-3¼ds
Stockholm	11.2640-11.3220	11.2640-11.2870	2¼-3¼ds	5¾-7¼ds
Tokyo	162.05-163.88	162.96-163.23	3¼-¾pr	1¼-1pr
Vienna	17.63-17.72	17.64-17.68	1¼-2¾ds	3¼-5¼ds
Zurich	2.2381-2.2485	2.2454-2.2485	1¼pr-par	1¼-3¼ds

Source: Extel. Premium - pr. Discount - ds.

OTHER STERLING

Argentina peso*	1.4950-1.4976
Australia dollar	2.2158-2.2190
Bahrain dinar	0.564-0.576
Brazil cruzeiro*	73754.0-73805.5
Cyprus pound	0.7375-0.7475
Finland markka	8.377-8.493
Greece drachma	339.25-346.25
Hong Kong dollar	11.5944-11.6037
India rupee	47.06-48.02
Kuwait dinar KD	0.451-0.461
Malaysia ringgit	3.8513-3.8571
Mexico peso	4.65-4.75
New Zealand dollar	2.7707-2.7778
Saudi Arabia riyal	5.6045-5.7305
Singapore dollar	2.4283-2.4315
S Africa rand (fin)	6.9259-6.9756
S Africa rand (com)	4.8484-4.8562
U A E dirham	5.488-5.612

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DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Australia	1.4781-1.4792
Austria	11.79-11.80
Belgium (Com)	34.43-34.45
Canada	1.2752-1.2757
Denmark	6.41-6.42
France	5.6375-5.6425
Germany	1.675-1.676
Hong Kong	7.7348-7.7358
Ireland	1.4565-1.4585
Italy	1519.0-1521.0
Japan	109.1-109.2
Malaysia	2.5695-2.5715
Netherlands	1.8795-1.8805
Norway	7.066-7.076
Portugal	159.3-159.4
Singapore	1.620-1.621
Spain	128.1-128.2
Sweden	7.515-7.525
Switzerland	1.4955-1.4965

MONEY MARKET RATES (%)

Base Rates: Clearing Banks 6 Finance Hse 6½
Discount Market Loans: O/night high: 5¼ Low 3 Week fixed: 5¼
Treasury Bills (Dis): Buy: 2 mth 5¾; 3 mth 5½. Sell: 2 mth 5¾; 3 mth: 5¾.

	1 mth	2 mth	3 mth	6 mth	12 mth
Prime Bank Bills (Dis):	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾	
Sterling Money Rates:	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾	
Interbank:	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾	6-5¾
Overnight: open 5¾, close 3½.					6-5¾
Local Authority Deps:	5¾	n/a	5¾	5¾-5¾	
Sterling CDs:	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾	
Dollar CDs:	3.12-3.07	n/a	3.19-3.17	3.34-3.31	3.70-3.66
Building Society CDs:	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾	5¾-5¾

ECGD: Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance. Make-up day: May 28, 1993. Agreed rates June 23, 1993 to July 25, 1993. Schemes II & III: 7.30%. Reference rate May 1, 1993 to May 28, 1993. Scheme IV & V: 6.039%.

EUROPEAN MONEY DEPOSITS (%)

Currency	7 day	1 mth	3 mth	6 mth	Call
Dollar:	2¾-2¾	3¼-2¾	3¼-3	3¼-3¼	3¼-2¾
Deutschemark:	7¾-7¾	7¾-7¾	7¾-7¾	7¾-7¾	8¼-7¾
French Franc:	7¾-7¾	7¾-7¾	7¾-7¾	7-6¾	8-7
Swiss Franc:	5¾-5¾	5¾-4¾	5¼-4¾	4¾-4¾	5¼-4¾
Yen:	3¼-3	3¼-3¼	3¼-3¼	3¼-3¼	3¼-2¾

GOLD AND PRECIOUS METALS (Rudolf Wolff & Co)

Bullion: Open $369.80-370.20 Close: $371.60-372.00 High: $371.90-372.40 Low: $369.30-369.80 Krugerrand: $371.00-373.00 (£247.00-249.00)
Sovereigns: Old $88.00-91.00 (£56.50-58.50) New $88.00-91.00 (£56.50-58.50)
Platinum: $379.00 (£251.85) Silver: $4.39 (£2.93) Palladium: $127.90 (£85.00)

LIFFE OPTIONS

Series		Calls Jul	Oct	Jan	Puts Jul	Oct	Jan
Alld Lyon	500	46	60½	68	4½	12	19
(*536)	550	14	30½	39½	24½	33	41½
Argyll	330	10	22	28	15	23	28
(*331)	360	3	11	17	39	43	46
ASDA	67	9	12½	-	1½	4½	-
(*74½)	76	4	8	-	5	8½	-
Boots	420	29	42	50	6½	15	21
(*438½)	460	7½	22	30	28	35	41
Br Airways	287	19½	31	36	7½	14	19½
(*296)	316	5½	17	22	24	30	35½
BP	300	17½	29½	31½	6½	14½	18½
(*309)	330	4½	12½	18	24½	31½	34½
Br Steel	100	7	11	15	6	9½	11
(*106)	110	3	7	11	12½	15	18
C & W	700	58	74	86	7½	19½	28½
(*743)	750	20	44	58½	28	42	51½
CU	580	31	42	-	11	26	-
(*597)	629	7½	19	-	40	54	-
ICI	650	34	48	64	14	32½	40
(*667)	700	6	19	34	59	75	82
Kingfishr	535	62	76	-	4	11	-
(*591½)	584	23	44	-	15	28	-
Land Sec	550	44	56	62	3	9½	16½
(*587)	600	9	25½	30½	22	30	38
M & S	330	16	27	33	7	13	18
(*336)	360	4½	13	19	26	31	34
Nat West	460	26	36	48½	11	19	26
(*472)	500	7½	18	30	34½	46	51½
Sainsbury	460	38	51	59	5	14	22
(*484½)	500	13	28	38	22	32	39
Shell	600	36	45½	55½	5½	17	22
(*627)	650	8	18½	31	30	43½	49½
Smkl Bch	420	40½	55	64½	6½	17	24½
(*449½)	460	15½	32½	44	22½	35	44
Storehse	200	13	21	26	6½	13	17
(*206½)	220	4	12	17	19	24	29
Trafalgar	101	7½	13	-	5	8	-
(*102)	110	3½	8½	12	10½	13½	17
Unilever	1000	59½	84	98½	8	21	29
(*1037½)	1050	24	52	69½	28	42½	51½
Zeneca	600	39½	53½	68½	12½	32	36
(*621½)	650	13½	29½	45½	39½	61	67½

Series		Jul	Oct	Feb	Jul	Oct	Feb
Grand Met	390	34	41	52	5½	13	23
(*414)	420	12	26½	36½	18½	26½	37
Ladbroke	180	12	19	25	8	17	23
(*181½)	200	4½	11½	17	22	30½	35
Utd Bisc	390	26	37½	47½	13	22½	32
(*399½)	420	12	24½	34½	30½	39	48½

Series		Calls Aug	Nov	Jan	Puts Aug	Nov	Jan
BAA	700	36½	56½	63	13½	23	29½
(*727½)	750	12	32	37½	41	49	55
Thames W.	460	16	27	30½	15	24½	27½
(*458½)	500	4½	11½	15½	44	49½	52

Series		Aug	Nov	Feb	Aug	Nov	Feb
BAT Ind	425	14½	24½	32½	17½	30	34
(*419½)	450	6	15	23	35½	49	51½
BTR	330	30½	35½	41	2½	8½	11
(*359)	360	10½	17	23	13½	22½	24½
Br Aero	390	40	61	74	17	31	39
(*411½)	420	25	47	60	31½	47	55
Br Telem	420	20½	27	32½	10	21½	28
(*428)	460	5	12	17	35½	46	51½
Cadbury	420	40½	50½	60	5	13½	17½
(*450½)	460	14½	27½	37	21½	31	35½
Guinness	460	38	53	63½	7½	17½	23
(*484½)	500	15	30	42	26½	36½	42½
GEC	330	16½	23½	28	10½	15½	19½
(*339)	360	4	10½	15½	31	34	36
Hanson	220	14½	19½	23	5	9½	13½
(*227½)	240	4½	10½	14	15½	21	24
LASMO	140	23½	30	35	3½	9	12
(*157½)	160	10½	18½	24	11	18½	21
Lucas	130	11	16½	19	7½	14½	15½
(*131½)	140	6	12	15	13½	21½	23½
Pilkingtn	120	12½	17	19	4½	8	12½
(*126½)	130	6½	12	14	9	13½	17½
Prudential	300	34	38	46	2½	8	11½
(*328)	330	12½	22	28½	12½	21	24
Redland	460	22½	37½	45½	19	36½	41½
(*456½)	500	7½	21½	30	47	61½	66
Royal Ins	269	25	34½	41	5	12½	16
(*286)	288	13½	23½	31	13½	21½	25
Tesco	200	21	26½	32	4	9½	12
(*213½)	220	9	16	22	12	19	22
Vodafone	420	36	51½	59	8	19½	24
(*445½)	460	14	30	38	30½	39	44
Williams	300	26	33	39	5	13½	16½
(*317½)	330	9	17½	24½	19½	30½	33½

FT-SE INDEX (*2880)

	2750	2800	2850	2900	2950	3000
Calls						
Jun	132	82½	35	½	½	½
Jul	152	106	67	34	16	6
Aug	168	126	90	61	36	22
Sep	183	145	112	83	61	42
Dec	-	200	-	137	-	91
Puts						
Jun	½	½	½	18½	68½	123
Jul	5	9½	20	42	74	122
Aug	16	26	41	65	91	129
Sep	29	42	58	78	107	141
Dec	-	74	-	112	-	167

Series		Calls Sep	Dec	Mar	Puts Sep	Dec	Mar
Abby Nat	390	37	49	56	9	15	21½
(*414½)	420	18	31½	38½	23	28½	34½
Amstrad	30	6	7½	8½	1½	2½	3
(*34)	35	3½	5	6	4	5	5½
Barclays	460	27	40	50	22	29	34
(*464)	500	11	23	32	47	54	60
Blue Circ	240	29	34½	40½	7½	14	17
(*257)	260	16	24	30	16½	24	27½
Br Gas	300	16	21	24½	12	19½	22
(*300½)	330	5	9½	13	32	38½	40½
Dixons	200	24	30	37	10	16	19
(*215½)	220	13	22	26	20	26	30
Forte	200	31	36½	41½	5½	11½	14½
(*222½)	220	18	25½	31	13½	20½	24
Hillsdwn	130	18	22	26	5	10	12
(*140½)	140	10½	17	21	10	15	17
Lonrho	100	16	-	22	5½	-	11
(*111)	110	11	-	-	10	-	16
Sears	90	11½	13½	15	2	4	4
(*98½)	100	5½	8	9½	5	8	9
Thm Emi	850	61	72	83½	22	29	39
(*895)	900	28	45½	56	49	55	65
Tomkins	220	24	30	34	7	10½	14
(*236½)	240	11	19½	24	17	19½	24
TSB	200	10	15	18	16	19	23
(*195)	220	4½	8	11½	31	33	36
Wellcome	700	67½	87½	102	26	44½	51
(*729½)	750	39½	60	75	50	68½	76

Series		Sep	Dec	Apr	Sep	Dec	Apr
Glaxo	550	71	81½	94	15	31	38
(*598)	600	41	54½	68	35½	50	66
HSBC	600	69	86	102	17	29	45
(*645½)	650	38	59	75	39	52	67
Reuter	1300	87½	128	159	47½	66	91
(*1330½)	1350	60	101½	133	70	91½	114

Series		Sep	Dec	Feb	Sep	Dec	Feb
R-Royce	140	19	23	26	6	12½	14
(*150)	160	8½	14½	17	16½	23½	25

Series		Jul	Oct	Dec	Jul	Oct	Dec
Fisons	160	18	27	28½	5½	12½	16
(*171½)	180	7½	17½	21	16	23	27½

Series		Aug	Nov	Feb	Aug	Nov	Feb
Eastern Elc	460	17½	26	34	20½	27½	34
(*466½)	500	3½	13	18½	51	54½	58

Series		Sep	Dec	Mar	Sep	Dec	Mar
Natl Pwr	360	21	31	36½	16	21½	26
(*360½)	390	9	18	23½	35	38	42½
Scot Pwr	310	20½	25½	-	10½	14½	-
(*322)	330	8	16	19½	22½	25½	28½

June 18, 1993 Tot: 22470 Calls: 13577 Puts: 8893 FT-SE Calls: 5447 Puts: 3698
*Underlying security price.

COMMODITIES

GNI REPORT: Old crop wheat traded thinly on little volume. New crop was 30p lower in quiet conditions on follow-through selling from Thursday and continued sterling strength against the deutschmark. Thereafter small buying interest emerged and prices improved but volume remained light.

LONDON FOX

COCOA

Jul	706 BID	Sep	785-781
Sep	715-714	Dec	803-800
Dec	725-724	Mar	825-821
Mar	742-741	May	844-832
May	756-755		
Jul	770-768	Volume:	14338

ROBUSTA COFFEE ($)

Jul	915-913	Mar	945-938
Sep	930-929	May	957-948
Nov	934-933	Jul	967-958
Jan	935-933	Volume:	2799

RAW SUGAR (FOB)

C Czarnikow		Dec	unq
Spot: unq		Mar	-
May	unq	May	-
Aug	-	Aug	-
Oct	-	Volume:	0

WHITE SUGAR (FOB)

Reuters		Mar	271.4-71.0
Spot: 280.0		May	275.3-74.0
Aug	280.0-77.5	Aug	280.2-77.0
Oct	271.0-69.5	Oct	273.4-68.1
Dec	270.9-70.5	Volume:	1057

MEAT & LIVESTOCK COMMISSION
Average fatstock prices at representative markets on June 18

(p/kg lw)	Pig	Sheep	Cattle
GB:	86.48	113.92	141.33
(+/-)	+1.90	+2.27	-1.41
Eng/Wales:	86.48	113.46	140.23
(+/-)	+1.90	+2.02	-1.94
(%)	-24.0	-6.1	-24.7
Scotland:	n/a	117.59	146.32
(+/-)	n/a	+3.94	+1.23
(%)	n/a	+16.0	-32.5

LONDON MEAT FUTURES
Live Pig (/kg)

	Open	Close		Open	Close
Jun	115.9	115.6	Aug	101.7	102.0
Jul	107.1	107.0		Volume: 141	

GNI LONDON GRAIN FUTURES

WHEAT (close £/t)

Jun	134.50
Sep	106.60
Nov	108.15
Jan	111.10
Mar	113.15
Volume:	52

BARLEY (close £/t)

Sep	104.25
Nov	107.40
Jan	109.75
Mar	112.15
May	113.40
Volume:	44

HI-PRO SOYA (close £/t)

Aug	149.30
Oct	150.30
Dec	153.00
Feb	155.00
Apr	152.00
Volume:	20

POTATO

(£/t)	Open	Close
Nov	unq	50.0
Apr	90.0	89.7
May	97.9	96.8
	Volume:	77

RUBBER
No 1 RSS Cif (p/k)
Jul 57.75-58.25

ICIS-LOR (London 6.00pm): Some short covering ahead of the weekend failed to be sustained as the day progressed.

CRUDE OILS ($/barrel FOB)

Brent Physical	17.20	-0.10
Brent 15 day (Jul)	17.25	-0.15
Brent 15 day (Aug)	17.50	-0.15
W Texas Intermediate (Jul)	18.65	-0.05
W Texas Intermediate (Aug)	18.95	-0.05

PRODUCTS ($/MT)
Spot CIF NW Europe (prompt delivery)

	Bid	Offer
Premium Gas .15	197 (-1)	200 (n/c)
Gasoil EEC	162 (-1)	163 (-1)
Non EEC 1H Jul	164 (-2)	164 (-2)
Non EEC 1H Aug	166 (-1)	167 (-2)
3.5 Fuel Oil	57 (n/c)	59 (n/c)
Naphtha	173 (n/c)	174 (n/c)

IPE FUTURES
GNI Ltd

GAS OIL

Jul	162.75-63.00	Oct	171.00-71.25
Aug	165.00-65.25	Nov	173.50-73.75
Sep	167.50-67.75	Dec	175.50-75.75
		Vol:	8766

BRENT (6.00pm)

Aug	17.49-17.52	Nov	18.04-18.07
Sep	17.72-17.74	Dec	n/a
Oct	17.92 BID	Vol:	18793

UNLEADED GASOLINE

Jul	189.50 SLR	Oct	n/a
Aug	187.00-90.00	Nov	n/a
Sep	186.00 BID	Vol:	13

BIFFEX
GNI Ltd ($10/pt)

	High	Low	Close
Jun 93	1480	1480	1483
Jul 93	1350	1345	1353
Aug 93	1340	1335	1339
Oct 93	1415	1415	1416

Vol: 90 lots Open intrst: 3471 Index 1522 -4

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE (Official) (Volume prev day) Rudolf Wolff

	Cash	3mth	Vol
Copper Gde A (£/tonne)	1229.5-1230.0	1238.5-1239.0	151825
Lead (£/tonne)	262.50-263.00	272.50-273.00	80350
Zinc Spec Hi Gde ($/tonne)	924.50-925.00	944.00-944.50	185500
Tin ($/tonne)	5135.0-5140.0	5190.0-5195.0	9860
Aluminium Hi Gde ($/tonne)	1121.5-1122.0	1144.5-1145.0	700650
Nickel ($/tonne)	5560.0-5563.0	5626.0-5627.0	29046

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Open champion falls spectator during trying day in second round at Baltusrol

Faldo's game suffers knockout blow

FROM JOHN HOPKINS
GOLF CORRESPONDENT
IN SPRINGFIELD
NEW JERSEY

NICK Faldo, the Open champion, concussed a spectator with a wild stroke early in his second round in the US Open at Baltusrol. It was a trying sort of day for Faldo, who was struggling to maintained a grip on his game. Clearly at odds with himself and fidgeting constantly, he had a 74.

Ian Woosnam had a similar sort of round, one that began well but slowly got away from him. It ended with a seven, which included a penalty stroke, for a 74, and he, too, is on 144. Both men were thus eight strokes behind the early leaders, Payne Stewart and Tom Watson.

Faldo had not been entirely happy in his final practice rounds but he ground out a good score in the first and started steadily enough yesterday. He has been a man possessed this week, his eyes always lifted to the horizon, his mind set on winning.

There was a portent that trouble lay ahead for him as early as the short 4th, where he pushed his tee shot wide of the green. They were using the forward tee, which is only 162 yards from the green. Faldo was going for the flag, which was on the right of the green, and he missed the target by 20 yards. A deft chip and a single putt saved the day this time.

It could not save the Open champion on the 6th, which is one of three par fours of precisely 470 yards in the first seven holes. His drive left him on the right side of the fairway. From there he sliced his second shot with his metal three-wood into the crowd where the ball hit a man on the head, drawing blood and concussing him temporarily.

Faldo knew little of this. After seeing the ball disappear in to the trees he remained motionless in the fairway, his left hand on his club, his right hand on his hip, staring at the ground.

"Sorry about that," Faldo said when he reached the injured spectator, shaking his hand. "That was a hacker's slice." There was applause from the crowd at this.

Faldo's ball was 20 yards from the flag, overhung by the limbs of a tree and a bunker lay between him the flag, which was on the edge of the green. David Gilford had been in a similar spot moments earlier and taken a double-bogey six. Faldo tried a Ballesteros-like escape shot, aiming for a gap in the branches, and failed. "Nothing I try comes off," he exclaimed.

He had moved the ball only ten yards. Now he had to clear the bunker and try and stop it close to the flag. Faldo played a floppy shot and the ball only shot up in the air only to fall six feet short of its target. A nervy bunker shot followed and two putts from 12 feet and a seven, a triple bogey, had to be marked on his card. He had gone from even par to three over on one hole.

Nick Price, the US PGA champion, was one of the first men to take advantage of the course, which had been plundered in the opening round. The average score for the first day was 72.2, the lowest ever in a US Open.

Price has improved visibly since his confidence-boosting victory in last year's US PGA at Bellerive. His 66 gave him a 36-hole total of 137, three under par, one behind Stewart and Watson, both of whom recorded 66.

Barry Lane made it look easy. He swept round in a stylish 68 and walked up the hill to the clubhouse with a jaunty spring in his step. He had the advantage of playing early in the morning and he predicted that the greens would be much more difficult when the sun had dried them out. "Before I cam here I thought it would be a nightmare," Lane, who is leading the Ryder Cup points table, said. "In fact, I've been pleasantly surprised and I'm looking forward to the weekend. I can't wait to get back out there."

It was another day of unbroken sunshine and on such a day John Daly got the record he wanted. Daly, the most prodigious hitter in the history of championship golf, became the first man to reach the green of the 630-yard 17th in two strokes. He hit a 310-yard drive, which in itself was not outrageous. What he did next was, even for him. He hit a one iron, which carried 300 yards to reach the putting surface. Just to put this in perspective, it is worth pointing out that most middle to high handicap golfers would be pleased to reach this green in four strokes. Bobby Jones once remarked that Jack Nicklaus played a game with which he was not familiar. At moments like this one can observe that John Daly does likewise.

DAVID CANNON/ALLSPORT



Careless driver: Faldo, who concussed a member of the gallery on the 4th hole, plays a tee shot in the Baltusrol sunshine yesterday

US unless stated; (x) denotes amateur
68: S Hoch, J Sindelar, C Parry (Aus).
67: L Janzen, C Stadler.
68: M Smith, C Pavin, F Couples, R Wrenn, B McCallister, R Mediate, R Floyd.
69: M Weeks, W Grady (Aus), W Glasson, J Maggert, G Waite (NZ), (x) J Leonard.
70: J Adams, D Edwards, M McCumber, M Standly, S Simpson, V Heafner, L Nelson, A Lyle (GB), T Baker-Finch (Aus), S Pate, K Triplett, R Gilder, M Christie, D Weaver, L Roberts, D Love III, T Watson, P Stewart, I Woosnam (GB), N Faldo (GB), M Calcavecchia, J Nicklaus, F Funk, N Ozaki (Japan), L Rinker, S Gotsche.
71: C Montgomerie (GB), S Flesch, J Sluman, K Clearwater, J Edwards, E Els (SA), J Haas, R Cochran, M Ozaki (Japan), D Waldorf, K Wentworth, B Claar, D Barr (Can), B Thompson, A Knoll (Can), H Twitty, A Johnstone (Zim), F Allem (SA), M Hulbert, R Estes, W Levi, S Elkington (Aus), N Price (Zim), P Azinger, K Gibson, M Donald, T Lehman, M Wiebe, T Schulz, P Jordan.
72: S Murphy, W Andrade, E Kirkby, J Smith, S Stricker, D Frost (SA), D Mast, R Garnez, N Henke, R Tway, M Brooks, S Lowery, G Twiggs, C Beck, J Huston, J D Blake, B Faxon, J Daly, M Kuramoto (Japan), T Sipula, M Mielke, T Woodard, M Clark II.
73: E Whitman, B Fabel, T Rhyan, C Strange, H Irwin, L Mize, W Wood, B Tuten, J Flannery, B Cheesman, G Morgan, F Zoeller, D Forsman, V Singh (Fiji), G Norman (Aus), D Gilford (GB), R Cramer.
74: (x) D Berganio, J M Olazabal (Sp), J Gallagher Jr, B Lane (GB), B Langer (Ger), R Allenby (Aus), K Perry, K Burton, O Drawdy.
75: R Maltbie, J Cook, E Hoos, T Kite, B Vaughen.
76: D Court, D A Weibring, S Ballesteros (Sp), W Britton, (x) T Oh, K Giancola, P Jacobsen, C Espinosa (Mex), T Erwin.
77: D Peoples, M Pfeil, M Singer, M Belen, A Forsbrand (Swe), M Springer, J Thorpe, A North.
78: D Brown, M Colandro, J Mahaffey.
79: J McMillan.
80: M O'Meara.
81: K Roman, K Allenhot, G Rieger.
82: T Hallet.
EARLY SECOND-ROUND SCORES:
136: T Watson 70, 66; P Stewart, 70, 66.
137: N Price (Zim), 71, 66.
139: P Azinger, 71, 68.
140: R Mediate, 68, 72; F Zoeller, 73, 67; J Daly, 72, 68; W Levi, 71 69; C Beck, 72, 68; L Roberts, 70, 70.
141: R Floyd, 68, 73: F Allem (SA), 71 70; S Elkington (Aus), 71, 70; A Knoll, 71, 70.
142: J Don Blake, 72, 70; G Waite (NZ), 69, 73; B Lane (GB), 74, 68.
143: R Fehr, 71, 72; B Faxon, 72 71; M Donald, 71, 72; S Lowery, 72, 71; A Johnstone (SA), 71, 72; R Allenby (Aus), 74, 69.
144: M Hulbert, 71, 73; B Estes, 71, 73; Davis Love III, 70, 74; I Woosnam (GB), 70 74; D Forsman, 73, 71.
145: B Langer (Ger), 74, 71; G Twiggs, 72, 72; B Thompson, 71, 73; M Kuramoto (Japan), 72, 73; J Sindelar, 66, 79; V Singh (Fiji), 73, 72; J Gallagher, 74, 71, G Morgan, 73, 72.

James heads field at halfway stage

MARK James, the golfer who turned his back on the US Open, is out in front at the halfway stage of the Jersey European Airways Open at La Moye. James, the one European to reject his invitation to Baltusrol, added a 65 to his opening 68 to stand 11 under par, one ahead of a chasing quartet of Peter Baker, Craig Cassells, Gordon Brand Jr and Ross Drummond. James, 39, decided not to cross the Atlantic because he wanted to continue his attempt for a sixth Ryder Cup cap.

The course record of 62 was on after James, a winner twice this season and fifth in the Cup points table, birdied five of the first eight holes. He picked up further strokes at the 11th and 12th but on the next four greens missed putts of between four and 12 feet. He had also failed with a four-footer on the ninth. In the end he did not even have the best round of the day. Baker, who two weeks ago lifted the Dunhill British Masters by seven shots with a closing course record 63, had a 64.

Rembrandt reign over

EQUESTRIANISM: Rembrandt, the most successful dressage horse known, is unlikely to compete again after breaking a leg in a freak accident at the German championships. Nicole Uphoff's brilliant 15-year-old gelding, the winner of four Olympic gold medals, bolted at the prize-giving and was kicked by another horse above the hock on his off-hind. The gelding underwent a delicate 90-minute operation yesterday, and had two screws inserted in his hind leg below the stifle, but it is too early to say whether the operation has been successful.

Sudden-death system

FOOTBALL: A sudden-death system will be used to ensure decisive results from the quarter-finals onwards of the 1996 European championship finals in England. The championships committee of Uefa, the governing body of European football, decided to adopt the system at a meeting yesterday. The fair play system — the awarding of points for team behaviour on the field — will be one of the criteria in the early rounds if teams finish level on points. Frank Clark, the Nottingham Forest manager, yesterday signed Colin Cooper, the Millwall defender, for about £1.7 million.

Marlow regatta record

ROWING: Marlow regatta, the curtain-raiser for Henley, has attracted a record 246 crews, requiring a 148-race programme today. With 11 of the 13 events at Henley this year requiring qualifying races, a win at Marlow could give a straight passage into the regatta proper. The Searle brothers will not be racing in a pair at Henley. Jonny has examinations but Greg will compete in the diamond sculls. Britain's lightweight coxless four, aiming for its third world championship in September, races in both heavyweight and lightweight classes at Berlin this weekend.

Boardman on trial

CYCLING: Snaefell, which rises to 2,034 feet above sea level, will be the backdrop tomorrow for the opening event of Isle of Man week, the international mountain time-trial over 37¾ miles. For the Olympic champion, Chris Boardman, and Graeme Obree, of Scotland, the race will provide another benchmark along the way to their attempts next month on the world one-hour record of 51.151km, set nine years ago by the Italian professional, Francesco Moser. Obree will start 115th of the 120 competitors while Boardman, the last man off, starts five minutes later.

Maxted and Jo Jo justify selection

BY JENNY MACARTHUR

KAY Maxted, from Kent, a last-minute entry to the Addington Friendly International dressage meeting in Buckinghamshire, justified her selection when she and her 12-year-old gelding, Jo Jo, won the Prix St Georges, the opening competition at the three-day meeting.

Maxted, who finished 0.2lpts ahead of the joint runners-up — Hubert Perring, of France, and Marcel Schoemakers, of Holland — heard only last week that she had been selected.

Jo Jo, a 12-year-old British-bred gelding, by the HIS stallion, Red Man, had been off-form at the selection trials in March after being cast in his box the night before. But Maxted was confident that Jo Jo deserved a place at Addington. "I kept pestering them and when someone withdrew last week I was told I could come," she said.

Competing early in the morning in a gusty wind, the obedient Jo Jo produced the best test of his career. Trained by Emile Faurie, the Great Britain Olympic rider, this was only Maxted's second international meeting with Jo Jo. She was unplaced at the first, in Holland two years ago, but the experience was not lost on her.

"Jo Jo wasn't liked much by the judges there and it made me realise how much I had to improve to succeed abroad," she said. Since then she has concentrated on acquiring a much greater degree of collection with her three dressage horses.

The organisers of this meeting are hoping that more British riders will benefit from competing against foreign riders. "We wanted to give some of the riders who were not selected for Goodwood a chance to ride internationally," Rosemary Herbert, chairman of the selectors, said.

RESULTS: FEI Prix St Georges 1, Jo Jo (K Maxted, GB), 64.32; equal 2, Sultan du Pave (H Perring, Fr) and Regilio (M Schoemakers, Holl), 64.11. Intermediaire II: 1, Oiseur (A Tissot, Fr), 1,206; 2, Contrast (M Henkel, Ger), 1,206; 3, Winston (M Schoenmakers, Holl), 1,188; 4, Cardigans Rose (C Nelson, GB), 1,173.

BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE: San Francisco 5, Cincinnati 1; St Louis 11, Chicago 10; Florida 4, Philadelphia 1; Pittsburgh 8, New York 2; Houston 4, San Diego; 1.
AMERICAN LEAGUE: Detroit 9, Cleveland 5; Oakland 5, Chicago 2; New York 6, Minnesota 5; Toronto 7, Boston 0; Texas 18, California 2.

BOWLS

EBBW VALE: Welsh Women's national singles championship: second round: E D Moorhouse (Knighton) bt J Hanle (Saundersfoot), 21-15; M Davies (Llandrindod Wells) bt G Best (Cricklowell), 21-13; B Morgan (Llandrindod Wells) bt D Bradford (Whitehead Sports), 21-1; M Bennett (Guest Memorial) bt E Smith (Sophia Gardens), 21-13; J Thornton (Llantrisant) bt P Rees (Ynyschinon), 21-19; N Hopkins (Porth) bt A Rogers (Whitchurch), 21-11; J Hislop (Llanwern) bt C Worthing (Beaufort), 21-19. Third round: K Watt (Grange) bt M Jones (Porth), 21-12; N Hopkins (Porth) bt J Ackland (Penarth Belle Vue), 21-13.

CRICKET

MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP: Bridgenorth: Shropshire 25-2 dec and 235-5 dec (T Penton 61, A N Johnson 75 not out); Cornwall 27-0 dec and 143-2. (K Blackburn 83 not out, E Nicolson 51 not out). Match drawn. Weymouth: Dorset 77. (Husbands 4-14). Herefordshire 172-6 (A Kallicharran 72, R Barlow 56; S Walbridge 4-41).

CYCLING

TOUR OF SWITZERLAND: Third stage: 1, T Hoffmann (Holl), 4hr 50min 26sec; 2, A Tafi (It); 3, R Forconi (It), same time. Overall: J Museeuw (Bel); 2, F Casartelli (It), both 13:01:32, 3, B Boscardin (It), at 4sec. 12. S Kelly (Ire), 20.
MIDI LIBRE RACE, France: Third stage (Caunes-Minervois to Rodez, 198km): 1, M Fondriest (It), 5hr 44min 22sec; 2, T Claeyrolar (Fr); 3, L Biondi (Fr), both same time. British: 7, R Miller, at 11 sec. Overall: 1, Fondriest, 13hr 33min 2sec; 2, D Arnould, 22sec behind; 3, R Pelliconi (It), 25.

EQUESTRIANISM

MALVERN: Three Counties Show: Three Counties Open championship: 1, G Turner (Mavis Davis); 2, J Tuff (High Learn Lad); 3, T Brown (Just Blackie), Paul Fabricators Foxhunter: 1, F Whitehouse (Wolmore Storm); 2, C Biddle (Pike)t; 3, R King (Mettle). Three Counties J A championship: 1, M Bateman (Woodlands Countess, C Webley); 2, K Blandford (Henry Hill); 3, C Peake (Elphie). B & C: 1, G Turner (Vulcan); 2, A Hollingworth (I'm A Driver, R Tillson); 3, C Milner (The Honky Tonk Man).

FOOTBALL

WORLD CUP: Asian zone qualifier: First round, group A: Iraq 4, Pakistan 0:
SPANISH CUP, semi-final, second leg: Real Zaragoza 3, Valencia 2. (Real Zaragoza win 4-3 on agg, play Real Madrid in final, June 26).
COPA AMERICA: Argentina 1, Bolivia 0.
RUSSIAN LEAGUE: Oleen Nakhodka 1, Dynamo Moscow 0; CSKA Moscow 1, Asmaral Moscow 0; Tekstilshchik Kamyshin 0, Torpedo Moscow 0; Dynamo Stavropol 2, Kamaz Naberezhnye Chelny 0; Rostselmash Rostov 2, Uralmash Yekaterinburg 1; Zhemchuzhina Sochi 2, Spartak Vladikavkaz 2; Rotor Volgograd 2, Krylya Sovietov Samara 0; Lush Vladivostok 0, Spartak Moscow 7; Lokomotiv Moscow 4, Lokomotiv Nizhny Novgorod 1.

TENNIS

MANCHESTER: Direct Line Insurance Manchester Open: Singles, semi-finals: W Masur (Aus) bt H Holm (Swe), 6-4, 6-7, 7-6.
EASTBOURNE: Women's Volkswagen Cup: Quarter-finals: M Navratilova (US)bt G Fernandez (US), 6-1, 6-3; M Oremans (Holl) bt H Sukova, (Cz) 6-3, 1-6, 7-5; P Fendick (US) bt G Helgeson (US), 7-5, 6-4; L McNeil (US) bt N Tauziat (Fr), 6-1, 7-5. Semi-finals: Navratilova bt Fendick, 6-1, 6-3.
HALLE, Germany: Men's grass court tournament: Second round: J Svensson (Swe) bt M Gustner (Ger), 7-5, 7-6; P Korda (Cz) bt A Olhovskiy (Russ), 6-2, 6-3; R Raneberg (US) bt B Karbacher (Ger), 6-3, 6-4; K Braasch (Ger) bt M Ondruska (SA), 6-4, 7-6; A Medvedev (Ukr) bt P Kuhnen (Ger), 4-6, 6-3, 6-3; J Stark (US) bt C-Uwe Steeb (Ger), 6-3, 6-4; H Leconte (Fr) bt A Krickstein (US), 4-6, 6-3, 6-2; H Dreekmann bt B Gilbert (US), 7-6, 6-7, 6-4. Quarter-finals: A Medvedev (Ukr) bt J Svensson (Swe), 5-7, 6-3, 6-4; P Korda (Cz Rep) bt K Braasch (Ger), 6-1, 6-2; J Stark (US) bt H Dreekmann (Ger), 6-4, 7-6; H Leconte (Fr) bt R Raneberg (US), 6-2, 3-6, 7-6.
ROEHAMPTON: Wimbledon qualifying tournament: Men's singles: First round: B Devening (US) bt H Denman (Aus), 6-4, 7-5. Second round: D Randall (US) bt B Lankhorn (Aus), 6-3, 6-3; P Hand (GB) bt N Kroon (Swe), 7-6, 2-6, 6-3; P Nyborg (Swe) bt C Saceanu (Ger), 6-3, 7-6; D Nainkin (SA) bt N Godwin (SA), 3-7, 6-1, 6-4; G Ruseski (Can) bt C Limberger (Aus), 6-7, 6-3, 6-4; C N'Goran (Ivory Coast) bt D Poteikov (Rus), 6-4, 6-4; D Witt (US) bt T Henman (GB), 6-3, 6-2; S Lareau (Can) bt M Joyce (US), 6-2, 6-4; C Beecher (GB) bt D Dier (Ger), 7-6, 6-3; P Rafter (Aus) bt A Calatrava (Sp), 6-4, 6-2; O Kristiansson (Swe) bt S Huet (Fr), 6-7, 6-4, 6-2; P Kilderry (Aus) bt E Ferreira (SA), 7-6, 6-3; S Youl (Aus) bt R Blake (US), 6-1, 6-4; P Morning (Ger) bt L Matthews (GB), 6-1, 6-7, 6-2; L Tieleman (It) bt K Kinnear (US), 6-2, 7-6; T Nydahl (Swe) bt G Marx (Fr), 6-3, 6-3; L Gloria (US) bt F Fetterlein (Den), 7-5, 6-2; F Silberberg (Br) bt J Apell (Swe), 3-6, 6-4, 10-8; G Doyle (Aus) bt A Kratzmann (Aus), 6-3, 6-2; G Muller (SA) bt D Flach (US), 6-4, 7-6; M Knowles (US) bt D Nestor (Can), 6-4, 7-6; B Devening (US) bt C Pridham (Can), 6-3, 6-4; J-I Gimil (Arg) bt H Davids (Holl), 2-6, 6-4, 6-4; F Wilder (Holl) bt M Tobon (Col), 6-2, 6-4; S Rhode (Ger) bt P Norval (SA), 7-6, 6-4; B Joselson (US) bt K Thorne (US), 6-3, 3-6, 11-9; S Davis (US) bt R Schmick (US), 7-6, 3-6, 10-8; T Nelson (US) bt A Chang (Can), 4-6, 7-6, 6-1; P Baur (Ger) bt K Ulyett (SA), 2-6, 6-3, 6-4; A Szmalder (Can) bt N Ismail (GB), 7-6, 6-7, 7-5; S Bryan (US) bt M Blackman (US), 7-6, 6-1; M Kidl (US) bt D Dilucia (US), 7-6, 6-7, 6-4. Third round: Names into main draw: D Nainkin (SA) bt P Nyborg (Swe), 7-6, 7-5; L Tieleman (It) bt T Nydahl (Swe), 6-3, 6-4; D Randall (US) bt O Kristiansson (Swe), 6-4, 6-4; G Ruseskid (Can) bt C N'Goran (Ivory Coast), 6-3, 7-6; S Lareau (Can) bt D Witt (US), 3-6, 6-2, 6-1; P Kilderry (Aus) bt P Hand (GB), 6-4, 2-6, 6-3; S Youl (Aus) bt P Baur (Ger), 7-6, 6-2; S Bryan (US) bt L Gloria (US), 6-1, 7-6; P Rafter (Aus) bt C Beecher (GB), 6-4, 6-2.
Women's singles: Second round: J Byrne (Aus) bt T Krizan (Slov), 7-5, 6-3; D van Rensburg (SA) bt J Richardson (NZ), 5-7, 6-3, 6-4; L Courtois (Bel) bt V Lake (GB), 7-5, 6-4; L Golarsa (It) bt N Pratt (Aus), 6-0, 6-3; S Amiach (Fr) bt B Nagelsen (US), 7-6, 6-4; E De Lone (US) bt M Yeneq (Japan), 3-6, 6-1, 6-4; M McGrath (US) bt K Rasford (Aus), 7-5, 7-5; K Sharpe (Aus) bt S Park (Kor), 6-3, 6-0; L Field (Aus) bt S McCarthy (US), 6-4, 7-6; A Hirose (Japan) bt N Munz-Jagerman (Holl), 7-6, 6-4; A Sugiyama (Japan) bt E Bond (GB), 6-7, 6-4, 6-3. Third round (winners into main draw): D Van Rensburg (SA) bt J Byrne (Aus), 7-6, 6-3; C Wegnik (Holl) bt M Kochta (Ger), 4-6, 7-6, 6-2; T Price (SA) bt T Whittington (US), 7-6, 6-2; K Sherpe (Aus) bt L Field (Aus), 7-6, 6-3; C MacGregor (US) bt L Courtois (Bel), 7-6, 6-3; A Sugiyama (Jap) bt E De Lone (US), 7-5, 6-1; M McGrath (US) bt A Hirose (Japan), 6-1, 6-3.
GENOA, Italy: Men's tournament: Second round: T Muster (Austria) bt J Francisco Altur (Sp), 6-4, 6-2; T Carbonell (Sp) bt G Pinto (Cro), 7-5, 4-6, 6-1; J Sanchez (Sp) bt L Jonsson (Swe), 3-6, 6-0, 6-2

GLIDING

BORLANGE, Sweden: World gliding championships, day four: Open (916.6km quad): (25 completed of 29 starters): 1, I Renner (Aus), ASW22BL, 116.1kph, 972pts; 2, R Gimmey (US), Nimbus 4, 116.25, 948; 3, F Hauser (Switz), Nimbus 3, 115.96, 844; 4, L Hegedus (Hun), Nimbus 4, 115.07, 832; 5, H Back (Ger), Nimbus 4, 114.27, 822; 6, U Schwank (Ger), ASW22BL, 114.11, 820. British: 14, B Spreckley, ASH25, 110.02, 768; 16, A Kay, ASH25, 109.7, 782. Overall, open (four days) provisional: 1, G Ax (Swed), ASW22BL, 3,649pts; 2, J Cantia (Pol), ASW22B, 3,400; 3, S Wujczak (Pol), ASW22B, 3,400. 4, Kay (GB), 3,353. 5, K Leppalainen (Fin), ASH25, 3,341. 6, Spreckley (GB), 3,288. 15m (27.7km quad) 24 completions of 40 starters. 1, B Bulukin (Nor) LS8, 91.91kph, 982pts; 2, D Goudriaan (SA) Ventus C, 90.73, 911; 3, S Kuusisto (Fin) Ventus C, 89.57, 896. British: 17, M Wells, LS8C, 79.66, 777; 29 equal J Wills LS8, 256.7km, 537. Overall 15m (four days, provisional): 1, Kuusisto 3631pts; 2, equal M Theisinger (Ger) LS8A & E Napoleon (Fr) LS8S, 3491; 4, Bulukin 3240. British: 10, Wells 3073; 20, Wills 2865. Standard (640.8km quad): 49 completions of 49 starters: 1, S Oye (Den), Discus B, 107.1kph, 869pts; 2=, K Striedieck (USA), ASW24, 103.76 & A Talmolle (Fin), Discus A, 103.73, 856; 4, J Sorri (Fin), LS7, 103.46, 853; 5, R Walters (USA), Discus B, 103.05, 847; 6, S Vermeer (Holl), Discus B, 102.86, 845. British: 14, D Wain, ASW24, 101.27, 825; 16, A Davis, Discus B, 100.96, 821. Overall, standard (four days), provisional: 1, Sorri (Fin), 3,068pts; 2, Davis (GB), 2,987; 3, E Borgmann (Holl), Discus B, 2,952; 4, T Rubel (Pol), SZD55, 2,879; 5, J Slepanek (Czechs), Discus B, 2,878; 6, V Pajunan (Fin), SZD55, 2,756.

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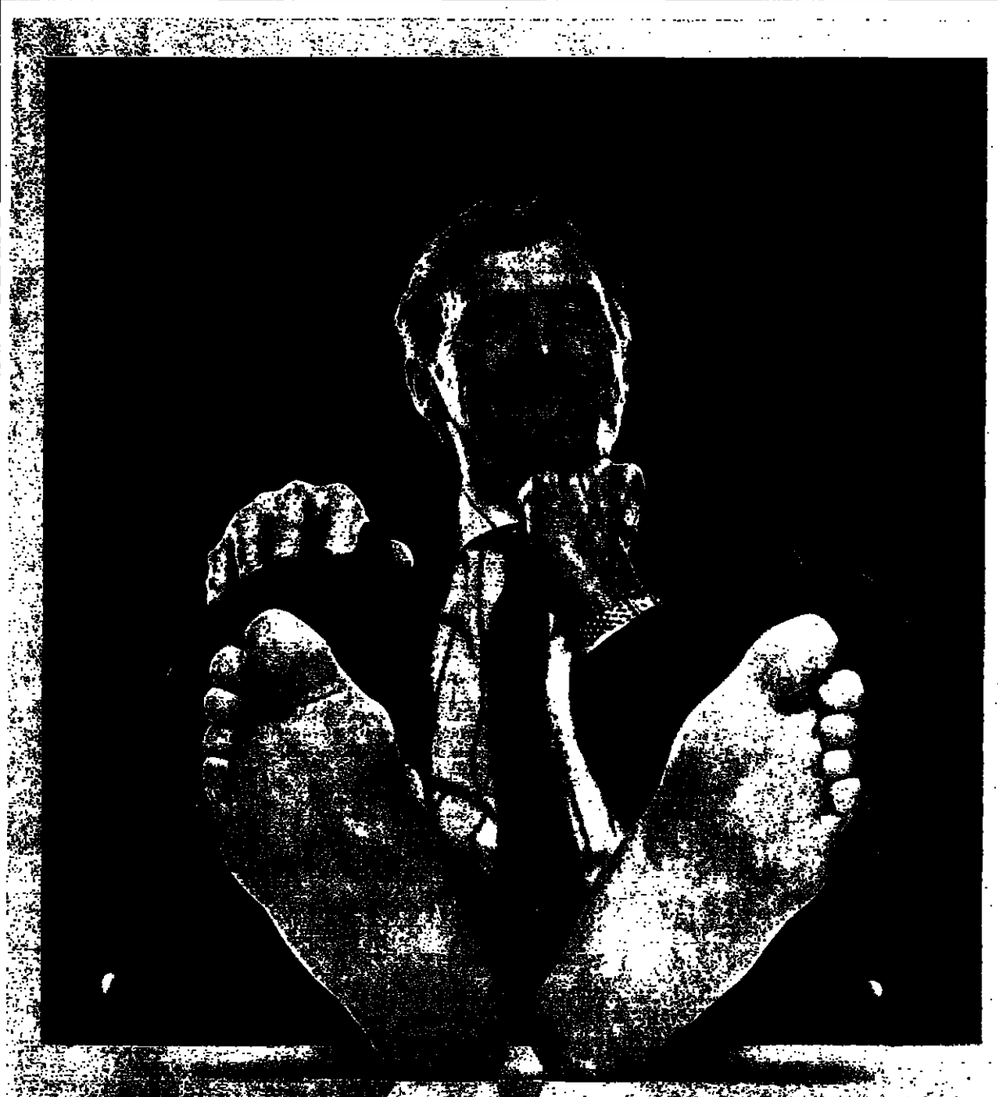
PYLE AND KENFIG: Welsh Women's team championship, semi-finals: Pennard bt Monmouthshire, 3-2; Royal Porthcawl bt Aberdovey, 3½-1½. Final: Pennard bt Royal Porthcawl, 3-2.

LA MOYE: Jersey European Airways Open: Early leading second-round scores (GB and Ire unless stated): 133: M James, 65, 68. 134: C Cassells, 66, 68; G Brand Jr, 67, 67; P Baker, 64, 70. 135: B Marchbank, 69, 66; I Palmer (SA) 67, 68; G Turner (NZ) 69, 66; S Bennett 68, 67; R Alvarez (Arg) 70, 65; B Barnes, 70, 65. 136: H Clark 68, 68; J Payne 66, 70, M Clayton (Aus), 68, 68. 137: W Westner (SA) 69, 68; T Levet (Fr) 69, 68; J McHenry 69, 68. 138: C Mason 67, 71; A Hunter 69, 69; P Curry 67, 71; S Torrance 68, 70; M Ree 70; T Pernice (US) 66, 72; J M Canizares (Sp) 70, 68; R Mann 68, 70. 139: D Curry 68, 71; M McLean 70, 69; D Williams 68, 73; M Gates 67, 72; G Hjerdahl (Swe) 69, 71; S Richardson 71, 68; B Malley (US) 69, 70; P Talbot 69, 70; A Bossari (Switz) 69, 70; D Smyth 69, 70. 140: J Spence 73, 67; D Cooper 70, 70; P Way, 70, 70. 141: E O'Connell 69, 72; C Moody 68, 73; T Gladeon (Ger) 74, 67; C Whitelaw (SA), 68, 75; P Mitchell 68, 73; W Stephens 70, 71; T Charnley 71, 70.

YACHTING

GUERNSEY: Rolex Oyster Island race: 1, Maid Of Unst (G Meredith), Shr 14min; 2, Gandolf Wight Sorcerer (D Wood), 5:15; 3, Firecracker (O Poulsen, Den), 5:16. Class One: 1, Maid Of Unst; 2, Firecracker; 3, Chestanet (N Brick); 4, Eclipse (M Leadbetter). Class Two: 1, Gandolf Wight Sorcerer; 2, Moustique (M Spear); 4, Wilde At Heart (F Keugar, Hol).

HELSINKI: IYRU Nations' Cup qualifier: Women's preliminary round: L Walker (GBR), 8 wins 2 losses: H Strang (Swe), 7, 3; S Mayer (Ger), 7, 3; B Lemsrom (Fin), 6, 4. Semi-final: S Mayer (Ger) bt B Lemsrom (Fin); H Strang (Swe) bt L Walker (GB). Men: Final stc: 1, A Myrall (Den); 2, M Weiser (Ger); 3, A Beadsworth (GB); 4, M Lundgren (Swe); 5, H Johannisson (Nor); 6, C Favre (Switz).



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Taylor hopes to show Germans grass is greener on indoor stage

England treading new ground

FROM ROB HUGHES
FOOTBALL CORRESPONDENT
IN DETROIT

WHATEVER the World Cup fate of England, the nation's footballers take one small step for mankind when they play Germany on the first grass field ever laid in an indoor arena this afternoon.

The match makes guinea pigs of international players in the Pontiac Silverdome, 18 miles north of the motor city, Detroit. But with the Germans chasing $20,000-a-man bonuses to win the US Cup '93, and with England playing for pride and places in the World Cup squad, it should be as competitive a match as any in the history between the two countries.

"It's a little bit of history anyone worth his salt would love to be part of," Graham Taylor, the England manager, said when he set foot on the $1.5 million pitch. An anticipated audience of 55,000 will bring in America's first $1 million gate.

Just how the pitch will play is anybody's guess. One disturbing aspect of the experiment is that the sidelines have been painted within a yard of a concrete, though padded, perimeter wall. If the players attempt their full, ferocious commitment, it could be dangerous in the extreme. Germany have already complained.

Assuming that both England and the world champions get the ball down on the turf, we shall find out whether it is as lush to play on as it feels to walk.

In training yesterday, the Germans found that the ball ran absolutely truly, the bounce was even and that this was a surface as level as you would find anywhere.

In another aspect, playing inside the Silverdome should benefit the performers. The temperatures of the 1994 World Cup will, in some venues, reach the high 90s, sapping to the prospect of good play, according to Carlos Alberto Carreira, the Brazil manager, who laments the lunchtime kick-offs for the benefit of European televison.

"When Brazil played Germany at the RFK Stadium in Washington last week, it was hot as a two-dollar pistol," Michael Abington, executive director of the Silverdome, said. "But even if the temperature reaches the 90s today, it will run ten to 15 degrees cooler in the Silverdome. The conditions may get a little clammy with 55,000 people in there but they should still be comfortable for the spectators and players."

CUP DETAILS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Brazil	3	1	2	0	6	4	4
Germany	2	1	1	0	7	6	3
United States	3	1	0	2	5	6	2
England	2	0	1	1	1	3	1

RESULTS: United States 0, Brazil 2; United States 2, England 0; Brazil 3, Germany 3; Brazil 1, England 1; United States 3, Germany 4
TODAY: England v Germany.

The air pressure that supports the roof over the Silverdome is not air-conditioned but there are a number of vents from which air can be pumped. After 18 years of operation in Pontiac, only the turf beneath the players' feet is a novelty. The grass has been grown outdoors in California for the past year. Its compilation of 65 per cent Kentucky bluegrass, together with 35 per cent tough rye grass, has been designed by John Trey Rogers III, an assistant professor of crop and soil research.

Under his direction, the grass was installed in the Silverdome ten days ago. It was cut into 1,850 hexagons and mounted in steel containers that were forklifted into the stadium.

Beneath the grass, the soil is predominantly sand and peat moss to cushion the feel to the players. When the stadium was opened to inspection on Wednesday, Rogers, with a Freudian slip, commented: "We've had to get the fertilizer down so that England can play on it."

That fertilizer remains the secret ingredient of the experiment and Rogers intends to patent the formula of fungicide and growth regulators. If it takes off and indoor grass has a future, he observed, it will be worth a lot of money.

England and Germany, in brief, separate training sessions yesterday, first set foot on the springy, well-manicured pitch. Today, all thoughts of how the surface has been knitted together should vanish. The field has the gentlest crown of eight inches for irrigation but is flatter than 90 per cent of the world's outdoor fields. Empty, the stadium has an eerie echo.

But when the 76,000 seats are occupied to approaching capacity, the Silverdome reverberates with a noise that, like the air, recycles itself into an awesome din.

"Just standing here in the stadium, I find it inspiring," Taylor said. But how would he feel having these conditions for the World Cup a year from now? "Hey, at this time, I'd take any ruddy thing in a World Cup. Don't worry about that!" he retorted.

"The situation is that we are part of something that is going to happen. The way these things are done, they put everything into line and then say how about the players? If it's wrong for them, it will be too late to pull out."

Lewis on track to challenge Christie over 100m

FROM DAVID POWELL
ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT
IN EUGENE, OREGON

JACK SMITH



Number one: Cason raises his hand in triumph after beating Lewis, right, into third place in the trials

MOST people look down on Andre Cason, 5ft 7in and shorter than many of the schoolchildren crowding round for his autograph here on Thursday evening. But some of the world's finest sprinters were looking up to him after his 100 metres victory in the United States trials for the world athletics championships.

Among them was Carl Lewis, whose third place ensured that he will face Linford Christie in Stuttgart in August. Lewis did not make it to the Olympic Games last year, failing to qualify from the sudden-death trials which the national governing body uses to determine its team. This time, it was Leroy Burrell, the former world record holder and runner-up to Lewis at the world championships in 1991, who missed the cut.

Burrell was fifth, which means he will not even be picked for the relay. This is sprinter country and Christie now knows the identity of the three men who, along with Frankie Fredericks, of Namibia, will be the strongest challengers to his hopes of completing a grand slam of Commonwealth, European, Olympic and world titles.

At the last world championships, Christie was fourth, behind Lewis, Burrell and Dennis Mitchell, who goes again after finishing second here. Mitchell and Cason were clocked at 9.85sec, wind-assisted, with Lewis on 9.90sec. After two 9.79secs in earlier rounds, Cason has the best two-day series recorded, albeit wind-assisted.

He will not be popular with Christie for his assertion that the Olympic final was "kinda soft". He says he did not even bother to watch it until he caught the last 20 metres by chance on television some while later. "I watched it, I looked at my dad, he looked at me and I got up and walked out the room," he said.

Cason had set a world indoor record for 60 metres four months earlier, but his Olympics ended in hospital at the trials stage, with a diagnosed ruptured Achilles tendon. "I was in great shape," he said. "But I went from running fast to a cast." Unnecessarily, it seems. Four weeks later, it was discovered he had not ruptured his tendon after all, but had torn a muscle above it.

Cason, 24, is not worried that he is six inches shorter than Lewis and Christie, or that it has been a long time since anyone of his stature won an outdoor global title at 100 metres. "I am the strongest sprinter in the world, pound for pound," he said cheerfully.

Coached by Loren Seagrave, one of Ben Johnson's former trainers, Cason's qualification for Stuttgart is an embarrassment to USA Track and Field (USATF), the national governing body. Seagrave is suspended for failing to account for $20,000 of USATF's money assigned for coaching.

Lewis threw his spikes into the crowd at qualifying, seemingly as happy as he was at winning any of his eight Olympic and eight world gold medals. At 40 metres, his place looked in jeopardy, but Lewis has always been stronger in the second half and he passed Jon Drummond well before the line. Lewis said he was slow out of the blocks because of a new start technique he had been experimenting with for less than a week.

Lewis now goes for a fourth successive world 100 metres title and, following the elimination of Greg Foster in the sprint hurdles semi-finals, only Lewis and Sergey Bubka, in the pole vault, can accomplish the feat.

☐ Roger Black has withdrawn from Britain's 4 x 400 metres relay squad for the European Cup in Rome on June 26 and 27. The Team Solent runner, 27, is still suffering from the debilitating virus which affected his performances last week. He ran a disappointing 400 metres at a meeting in Paris then failed to qualify for the 200 metres final in the British championships. No replacement has yet been named.

LINGFIELD PARK

THUNDERER
6.25 M'Bebe. 6.55 Champagne Girl. 7.25 Mr Tate. 7.55 Naseer. 8.25 Miss Gorgeous. 8.55 Shades Of Jade.

GOING: SOFT; ALL-WEATHER COURSE: STANDARD SIS
DRAW: 5F-7F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

6.25 CHOICEST STAKES MAIDEN HANDICAP (All-weather: amateurs: £2,574: 1m 2f) (14 runners)

1 4825 BILJAN 21 P Cole 3-12-0 ... Miss M Clark (5) 3
2 0024 STALLED 21 P Walwyn 3-11-11 ... P MacEwan 4
3 0343 WOLF POWER 5 T Thomson Jones 3-11-6 .. Mrs M Cowdrey 13
4 60/32 SHORT ENCOUNTER 10 D Thom 6-11-4 ... Miss T Bracegirdle (5) 10
5 0000 CHILTERN HUNDREDS 15 W Musson 3-11-1 Mrs J Musson (5) 9
6 0004 HILLSDOWN BOY 9 S Dow 3-10-12 ... T Cuff (5) 7
7 5045 LEGAL ARTIST 18 N Graham 3-10-11 ... Mrs L Pearce 8
8 0050- LADY POLY 14J J Long 5-10-8 ... Miss S Watkins (5) 12
9 -909 M'BEBE 7 B Hills 3-10-8 ... Miss E Johnson Houghton 2
10 0400 JULIASDARKINVADER 53 A Moore 3-10-8 ... K Goble (5) 14
11 0000 LOBELIA 25 T Naughton 3-10-5 ... Mrs J Naughton (5) 1
12 0004 WRITTEN AGREEMENT 21 R Peacock 5-10-3 ... Mrs C Peacock (5) 11
13 00-00 SINGING DETECTIVE 17J (V) P McEntee 6-10-0 ... Miss Elaine Miller (5) 5
14 000/0 DECIDING BID 19J J Long 7-9-8 ... Miss D Pomeroy (5) 6

11-4 Short Encounter, 7-2 Wolf Power, 9-2 Stalled, 6-1 Biljan, M'Bebe, 12-1 Legal Artist, Written Agreement, 14-1 Hillsdown Boy, 20-1 others.

6.55 SPRINGFIELD MAIDEN AUCTION STAKES (2-Y-O: £3,406: 5f) (11)

1 ANOTHER DREAM J Moore 9-0 ... B Rouse 10
2 0 BLURRED IMAGE 72 R Hannon 9-0 ... L Dettori 2
3 DRAGON BOLD L Holt 9-0 ... C Avery 8
4 ROCKETEER W Muir 9-0 ... Kim McDonnell (7) 6
5 02 SOLO TICKET 16 R Johnson Houghton 9-0 ... J Reid 3
6 0 ANSELLADY 19 M Haynes 8-9 ... W Carson 7
7 CHAMPAGNE GIRL P Makin 8-9 ... T Sprake 11
8 00 CHARISMA GIRL 25 S Dow 8-9 ... T Quinn 1
9 EWAR EMPRESS C Britain 8-9 ... B Doyle (3) 9
10 RED CLOUD M Tompkins 8-9 ... P Robinson 5
11 000 SWEET CAROLINE 10 Pat Mitchell 8-9 ... B Foster (7) 4

6-4 Solo Ticket, 3-1 Blurred Image, 4-1 Ewar Empress, 5-1 Red Cloud, 10-1 Sweet Caroline, 12-1 others.

7.25 IPC WEEKLIES GROUP HANDICAP (£2,780: 1m 2f) (8)

1 /4-4 MISS RITA 10 J Pearce 4-9-10 ... M Wigham 6
2 4-01 MR TATE 19 (D,F) R Akehurst 4-8-4 ... T Quinn 8
3 5005 VANBOROUGH LAD 8 (B,S) M Haynes 4-9-1 ... J Reid 3
4 0001 ROCK THE BARNEY 19 (D,S) P Burgoyne 4-8-11 ... B Rouse 4
5 0010 IKHTIRAA 24 (S) R Armstrong 3-8-1 ... W Carson 5
6 1562 PRESTON GUILD 22 (BF,G) R Williams 3-7-13 ... D Biggs 1
7 /200/ GO FORUM 569 (F,G) J Sutcliffe 8-7-12 ... S O'Gorman 7
8 3060 SCORCHER 23 C Britain 3-7-10 ... B Doyle (3) 2

15-8 Mr Tate, 9-2 Preston Guild, 6-1 Vanborough Lad, 8-1 Miss Rita, Ikhtiraa, 10-1 Scorcher, 12-1 Rock The Barney, 14-1 Go Forum.

7.55 KNIGHTWAY PROMOTIONS HANDICAP (All-weather: £3,084: 1m 4f) (6)

1 0141 ONE OFF THE RAIL 7 (C,S) A Moore 3-10-0 ... B Rouse 6
2 0046 NATIVE CHIEFTAN 31 (E,C,G) S Dow 4-10-0 ... T Quinn 1
3 0/6-0 FACT OR FICTION 10 (B,CD,F,G) Miss B Sanders 7-9-8 A Clark 2
4 3503 NASEER 5 (C,G) N Callaghan 4-9-1 ... J Reid 5
5 3142 DAY OF HISTORY 7 (C,D,G,S) C Cyzer 4-9-1 ... D Biggs 4
6 0/0/4 MY SPARKLING RING 7 C Nash 7-7-7 ... B Doyle (3) 3

7-4 Day Of History, 2-1 One Off The Rail, 9-2 Native Chieftain, 7-1 Naseer, 12-1 Fact Or Fiction, 16-1 My Sparkling Ring.

8.25 SAFFRON LIMITED STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,465: 7f) (7)

1 2143 FINAL FRONTIER 19 (D,F) R Akehurst 9-0 ... T Quinn 4
2 -193 PRAIRIE GROVE 7 (D,G) R Hannon 9-0 ... W Carson 6
3 2604 SECOND CHANCE 17 (S) P Mitchell 9-0 ... L Dettori 1
4 00-0 SIR THOMAS BEECHAM 11 S Dow 9-0 ... B Rouse 2
5 3100 WALNUT BURL 19 (CD,F) L Holt 9-0 ... J Reid 3
6 0000 LANZAMAR 15 R Phillips 8-9 ... C Hawksley (7) 7
7 2502 MISS GORGEOUS 17 (CD,G) W O'Gorman 8-9 ... Emma O'Gorman (3) 5

13-8 Final Frontier, 4-1 Miss Gorgeous, 9-2 Prairie Grove, 11-2 Second Chance, 7-1 Walnut Burl, 12-1 Sir Thomas Beecham, 20-1 Lanzamar.

8.55 SUMMER HANDICAP (£4,045: 5f) (8)

1 005-1 BORN TO BE 16 (CD,F,G) S Dow 4-9-12 ... T Quinn 3
2 0023 MISS VAXETTE 12 (BF,D,F,S) J Spearing 4-9-12 ... M Humphries (7) 8
3 000- SEAMERE 240 (D,F,G) B Cambidge 10-9-8 ... A Procter (5) 2
4 2461 LITTLE SABOTEUR 15 (CD,G,S) P Makin 4-9-5 ... T Sprake 1
5 1504 PEERAGE PRINCE 12 (B,C,D,F,G) Pat Mitchell 4-9-2 ... G Forster (7) 6
6 0600/ DREAM OF TOMORROW 689 (C,F,G) P Burgoyne 5-8-5 ... B Rouse 4
7 5162 PURBECK CENTENARY 7 (CD,G) P Howling 3-8-5 Paul Eddery 7
8 0-00 SHADES OF JADE 15 (CD,F) J Bridger 5-7-12 ... S O'Gorman 5

9-4 Born To Be, 7-2 Little Saboteur, 9-2 Miss Vaxette, 11-2 Peerage Prince, 8-1 Purbeck Centenary, 12-1 Seamere, 16-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: B Hills, 32 winners from 101 runners, 31.7%; W O'Gorman, 34 from 151, 22.5%; N Callaghan, 19 from 93, 20.4%; P Cole, 37 from 183, 20.2%; P Makin, 13 from 76, 17.1%; N Graham, 3 from 18, 16.7%; W Muir, 7 from 46, 15.2%.
JOCKEYS: L Dettori, 26 winners from 106 rides, 24.5%; Emma O'Gorman, 33 from 139, 23.7%; W Carson, 23 from 104, 22.1%; J Reid, 32 from 166, 19.3%; T Quinn, 81 from 448, 18.1%; S O'Gorman, 25 from 170, 14.7%; B Doyle, 18 from 144, 12.5%.

SOUTHWELL

THUNDERER
6.35 Moment Of Glory. 7.05 African Chimes. 7.35 Runaway Pete. 8.05 Noted Strain. 8.35 Miss Whittingham. 9.05 On Golden Pond.

GOING: STANDARD SIS
DRAW: 6F-1M, LOW NUMBERS BEST

6.35 EAST MIDLANDS ELECTRICITY MAIDEN AUCTION STAKES (2-Y-O: £1,534: 5f) (5 runners)

1 65 MOMENT OF GLORY 10 R Williams 9-0 ... W Woods 3
2 0 STEPHENSONS ROCKET 21 J Berry 9-0 ... J Carroll 1
3 6 LIFE'S TOO SHORT 11 G Pritchard-Gordon 8-9 ... W Hood 2
4 3542 PARADISE NEWS 22 G Bravery 8-9 ... D McCabe (7) 4
5 0346 STUDFORD GIRL 12 (B) M W Easterby 8-9 ... T Lucas 5

9-4 Moment Of Glory, 5-2 Life's Too Short, 7-2 Paradise News, 9-2 Stephensons Rocket, 7-1 Studford Girl.

7.05 EAST MIDLANDS ELECTRICITY LIMITED STAKES (£1,534: 6f) (5)

1 0020 AFRICAN CHIMES 7 (CD,F,G) M Chapman 6-9-4 D McCabe (7) 1
2 0102 APPEALING TIMES 21 (CD,BF,G) D Chapman 4-9-4 . S Wood 4
3 2211 HIGHBORN 15 (C,G) P Felgate 4-9-4 ... G Hind 5
4 5206 MAID WELCOME 8 (B,C,F,G) Mrs N Macauley 6-8-13 ... Dean McKeown 3
5 3-12 QUINSIGIMOND 74 (D,G) M Prescott 3-8-5 ... G Duffield 2

2-1 Quinsigimond, 9-4 Highborn, 7-2 Appealing Times, 9-2 African Chimes, 12-1 Maid Welcome.

7.35 EAST MIDLANDS ELECTRICITY HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £3,055: 1m 4f) (5)

1 3341 RUNAWAY PETE 8 (S) P Cole 9-7 ... T G McLaughlin (7) 2
2 0031 CHARLIE BIGTIME 8 (C,G) Miss Gay Kelleway 8-11 ... J Weaver (3) 4
3 01-4 PRECUSSION 15 (C,G) R Armstrong 8-6 ... R Price 3
4 4006 MAJOR TRIUMPH 22 G Bravery 8-5 ... G Duffield 5
5 -005 MULLED ALE 14 C Wall 7-12 ... W Woods 1

6-4 Runaway Pete, 5-2 Precussion, 3-1 Charlie Bigtime, 8-1 Major Triumph, 12-1 Mulled Ale.

8.05 FIRST NATIONAL BANK SELLING HANDICAP STAKES (£1,380: 2m) (9)

1 -004 NOTED STRAIN 23 (C,G) P Makin 5-10-0 ... J Carroll 2
2 40-5 SULUK 40 (C,F,G) R Hollinshead 8-8-3 ... S Perks 9
3 0-06 SELDOM IN 24 (C,F,G) J Wharton 7-9-0 ... Dean McKeown 3
4 00-0 LADY RANDOLPH 12 (V) B Ellison 4-8-7 ... M Wood 5
5 0-30 DANCING DAYS 14J (V,G) J Parkes 7-8-6 ... J Tate (7) 7
6 030- SPANISH WHISPER 19J (F) J Bostock 6-8-5 ... G Duffield 4
7 0354 PREMIER BLUES 7 (B) R Williams 3-8-2 ... N Adams 1
8 0000 RESISTING 17 (B) M Chapman 5-8-1 ... D McCabe (7) 8
9 4/0 PERMANENTLY PINK 8 (S) R Phillips 7-8-1 ... W Woods 6

7-4 Suluk, 4-1 Noted Strain, 5-1 Spanish Whisper, 6-1 Seldom In, 7-1 Dancing Days, 8-1 Premier Blues, 16-1 Lady Randolph, 20-1 others.

8.35 FIBRESAND HANDICAP (£1,576: 6f) (9)

1 3403 RED FAN 8 (B) J Watts 3-8-10 ... N Connorton 2
2 3540 SALLY'S SON 8 (B,CD,F,G) D Chapman 7-9-7 ... S Wood 7
3 5213 MISS WHITTINGHAM 8 (CD,G,S) J Berry 3-8-13 ... J Carroll 6
4 0-00 ANDY JACK 44 J Barnett 4-8-12 ... J Weaver (3) 4
5 0622 KILDEE LAD 8 A Jones 3-8-12 ... N Adams 8
6 0605 BASSIO 7 (H,C,D,F,G) C Allen 4-8-11 ... W Hood 1
7 -404 MELODIC DRIVE 21 P Felgate 3-8-9 ... G Hind 5
8 0600 COMPANY CASH 15 (B,C,G) R Bastiman 5-8-6 ... J Fanning 3
9 0-05 FAMILY ROSE 10 (10) Miss Gay Kelleway 4-8-0. A Munro (3) 9

5-2 Miss Whittingham, 3-1 Kildee Lad, 5-1 Red Fan, 7-1 Melodic Drive, 8-1 Bassio, 9-1 Andy Jack, 10-1 Sally's Son, 14-1 Family Rose, 20-1 Company Cash.

9.05 LYNNE COLDRON ANNIVERSARY HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £1,548: 7f) (10)

1 0002 DANCE TO ORDER 7 (CD,G) M Prescott 9-7 ... G Duffield 10
2 2430 KINGSTON BROWN 7 (V,C,G) D Loder 9-5 ... J Weaver (3) 2
3 000- PLATINUM VENTURE 247 S Woods 9-3 ... W Woods 7
4 0-34 NORTHERN BLUFF 45 (V) J Watts 9-0 ... N Connorton 3
5 4000 ROSE FLYER 8 (CD,G) M Chapman 8-10 ... D McCabe (7) 6
6 -300 ON GOLDEN POND 35 P Cole 8-10 ... A Munro 4
7 00-6 MONASTIC FLIGHT 5 B Rothwell 8-4 ... J Fortune 8
8 0325 PYTCHLEY DAWN 110 (BF) D Morris 8-3 ... J Carroll 9
9 0456 JOTRA 8 R Whitaker 7-12 ... N Carlisle 5
10 00-0 NORTHERN JUDY 8 R Hollinshead 7-11 ... A Garth (5) 7

11-4 Dance To Order, 3-1 Kingston Brown, 4-1 On Golden Pond, 5-1 Northern Bluff, 10-1 Pytchley Dawn, 14-1 Platinum Venture, 16-1 Jotra, 20-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: D Loder, 5 winners from 14 runners, 35.7%; M Prescott, 24 from 114, 21.1%; P Cole, 8 from 44, 18.2%; P Makin, 8 from 48, 16.7%; J Bennett, 4 from 24, 16.7%; J Berry, 29 from 184, 15.8%.
JOCKEYS: J Weaver, 5 wins from 25 rides, 20.0%; D McCabe, 6 from 35, 17.1%; G Duffield, 41 from 249, 16.5%; N Connorton, 6 from 44, 13.6%; S Perks, 13 from 99, 13.1%; J Fortune, 9 from 73, 12.3%.

Racing next week

MONDAY: Edinburgh, Pontefract, †Windsor.
TUESDAY: Brighton, Yarmouth, †Newbury, †Warwick.
WEDNESDAY: Carlisle, Salisbury, †Chester, †Kempton.
THURSDAY: Carlisle, Salisbury, Southwell.
FRIDAY: Newmarket, Doncaster, Lingfield, †Bath (e), †Goodwood (e), †Newcastle.
SATURDAY: Newmarket, Chepstow, Newcastle, †Doncaster, †Lingfield.
† denotes evening meeting

Ascot

Going: soft

2.30 WINDSOR CASTLE STAKES (2-Y-O: £18,745: 5f)
GREAT DEEDS b f Forzando - Deed (Dubai Racing Syndicate) 8-8 T Quinn (10-1) 1.
Bid For Blue ch c Primo Dominie - Single Bid (D Thompson) 8-13 L Piggott (12-1) 2.
Imperial Bailiwick b f Imperial Frontier - Syndikos (I Sheniki) 8-8 N Adams (50-1) 3.
ALSO RAN: 13-8 fav The Puzzler, 8 Arz, 10 Royal Insignia (5th), Roxanian, 12 Jade Pet, 16 Bandon Castle (6th), 20 Montaya (4th), Papegayos, 25 Shepherd Market, 33 Evening Falls. 13 ran. 3l, hd, 3l, 3l, 3½l. M Channon at Lambourn. Tote: £15.80; £3.40, £2.10, £15.00. DF: £84.00. Trio: £829.00. CSF: £107.34. 1min 4.18sec.

3.05 HARDWICKE STAKES (Group II: £56,700: 1m 4f)
JEUNE ch c Kalaglow - Youthful (Exors of Sir Robin McAlpine) 4-8-9 R Cochrane (7-2) 1.
Red Bishop b or br h Silver Hawk - La Rouquine (A Saeed) 5-8-9 M Roberts (11-4 fav) 2.
Highland Dress b c Lomond - Colorspin (Shaikh Mohammed) 4-8-9 C Asmussen (7-2) 3.
ALSO RAN: 7-2 Sapience (4th), 7 Garden Of Heaven (5th). 5 ran. Nk, hd, 8l, 10l. G Wragg at Newmarket. Tote: £4.40; £1.90, £1.80. DF: £4.40. CSF: £11.81. 2min 39.43sec.

3.45 WOKINGHAM HANDICAP (£39,640: 6f)
NAGIDA b f Skyliner - Kept In Style (Miss U Toller) 4-8-7 J Weaver (11-1) 1.
Cumbrian Waltzer ch g Stanford - Mephisto Waltz (Cumbrian Industrials Ltd) 8-8-13 M Birch (13-1) 2.
Arabellajill b f Aragon - Crackerjill (Mrs J Cash) 4-9-2 L Dettori (20-1) 3.
Gorinsky ch g Gorytus - Grapette (W Robertson) 5-8-5 J Carroll (33-1) 4.
ALSO RAN: 8 fav Everglades, 9 Branston Abby, 11 Sir Harry Hardman (5th), 14 Echo-Logical, 16 Lord High Admiral, Chili Heights, 20 Amron, 25 Massiba, Master Planner, Cantoris, Sagebrush Roller, Aughfad, Macfarlane, Blue Topaze, Hard To Figure (6th), 33 Ashtina, Tanners, Bertie Wooster, Morocco, 40 Sizzling Saga, Gone Savage, Wathik, Beware Of Agents, Plain Fact, Allthruthenight, Danaben. 30 ran. Nk, ¾l, sh hd, 1½l, ½l. J Toller at Newmarket. Tote: £16.40; £4.10, £3.90, £3.30, £11.60. DF: £77.40. Trio £726.80. CSF: £130.31. Tricast: £2,540.80. 1min 18.11sec.

4.20 KING'S STAND STAKES (Group II: £80,361: 5f)
ELBIO b h Precocious - Maganyos (B Brackpool) 6-9-3 W R Swinburn (12-1) 1.
Wolfhound ch c Nureyev - Lassie Dear (Shaikh Mohammed) 4-9-3 M Roberts (10-11 fav) 2.
Paris House gr c Petong - Foudroyer (P Chandler) 4-9-3 J Carroll (4-1) 3.
ALSO RAN: 7-2 Lyric Fantasy, 16 Surprise Offer, 25 El Yasaf (5th), 50 Freddie Lloyd (4th), 66 Bunty Boo (6th). 8 ran. 3l, sh hd, 3½l, nk, 1½l. P Makin at Marlborough. Tote: £17.10; £4.80, £1.00, £2.40. DF: £9.50. Trio: £15.20 CSF: £22.72. 1min 3.09sec.

4.55 BRITANNIA HANDICAP (3-Y-O colts & geldings: £22,337: 1m)
SHOW FAITH ch c Exhibitioner - Keep The Faith (I Wight) 8-5 Pat Eddery (6-1 fav) 1.
Just You Dare b c Common Grounds - Eulalia (Mrs D Thompson) 8-1 G Duffield (12-1) 2.
Brigante Di Cielo b c Robellino - Follow The Stars (P Christey) 8-10 T Quinn (20-1) 3.
Mujazzafah b c Mr Prospector - Cope Of Flowers (Shaikh Ahmed Al Maktoum) 8-4 M Roberts (7-1) 4.
ALSO RAN: 10 Ribhi (6th), 11 Moorish, 14 Coneybury, Norfolk Hero, Mecklenburg, 16 Wali, 20 Gymcrak Tiger, Green Kilt, Digpast, Kessbeen, 25 Easy Access, Yeqtisan, Embankment, Woodhaunter, Errlon, Beauchamp Hero (5th), 33 Sharaar, Hacker's Dance, Aberdeen Heather, 50 Colour Party, Robleu. 25 ran. 1l, ½l, 1½l, nk, 3½l. R Hannon at Marlborough. Tote: £8.50; £1.70, £2.00, £7.00, £2.20. DF: £30.90. Trio: £269.30. CSF: £73.71. Tricast: £1,278.93. 1min 46.05sec.

5.30 QUEEN ALEXANDRA STAKES (£16,570: 2m 6f 34yd)
RISZARD ch c Danzig Connection - Tendresse (H de Kwiatkowski) 4-8-12 C Roche (9-2) 1.
Jack Button b g Kings Lake - Tallantire (A and B Racing) 4-9-2 R Day (5-2 fav) 2.
Miss Plum b f Ardross - Heaven-High (Lucayan Stud Ltd) 4-8-7 L Detton (20-1) 3.
ALSO RAN: 7-2 Sweet Glow, 7 Star Player (6th), 12 Currency Basket (4th), 16 Good Hand, Bokaro (5th), 20 Requested, 25 Intricacy, 33 Acrow Line, 66 Star Quest. 12 ran. NR: Dare To Dream, Encore Une Fois. Sh hd, ½l, 1½l, 1½l, 6l. J Bolger in Ireland. Tote: £4.50; £1.70, £1.20, £4.80. DF: £5.00. Trio: £49.50. CSF: £15.18. 5min 18.57sec.
Jackpot: not won (pool of £17,574.89 carried forward to Ascot today).
Placepot: £198.20.

Redcar

Going: good to firm

2.10 (1m 2f) 1, COMMON COUNCIL (J Marshall, 8-1); 2, Edge Of Darkness (M Fenton, 9-4 fav); 3, Kagram Queen (G Carter, 4-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 Rose Glen, 8 Operation Wolf (6th), 14 Browned Off, 16 Sea Paddy, Hasta La Vista, 20 Raqs Assayf (4th), Weaver George (5th), Grey Ancona, Into The Future, 25 Great Oration, 33 Cyril Henry. 14 ran. 2l, ½l, 2½l, 3l, 1½l. M Hammond at Middleham. Tote: £10.60; £2.50, £1.70, £1.80. DF: £16.70. CSF: £28.53.

2.40 (7f) 1, FIELD OF VISION (T Williams, 3-1); 2, Tejdif (S Whitworth; 2-1 fav); 3, Bold



Channon: Ascot victory

Thatcher (G Hind, 13-2). ALSO RAN: 13-2 Heart Broken (4th), Birchwood Sun, 10 Milbank Challenger, 11 Montone (6th), 12 Chickchamis (5th), 33 Master Peckitt. 9 ran. 2½l, 1½l, 1¾l, 2l, 2½l. M Johnston at Middleham. Tote: £3.50; £1.10, £1.20, £2.30. DF: £2.90. CSF: £8.97. Tricast: £34.99.

3.10 (1m 6f 19yd) 1, QUALITAIR RHYTHM (Dale Gibson, Evens fav); 2, Stingray City (G Hind, 9-4); 3, Wajeeb (P Robinson, 11-4). ALSO RAN: 20 Cosmic Ray (4th). 4 ran. 1½l, 15l, 25l. I Campbell at Newmarket. Tote: £2.40. DF: £2.00. CSF: £3.58.

3.40 (6f) 1, MACS MAHARANEE (G Hind, 11-2); 2, Sea Devil (N Connorton, 12-1); 3, State Flyer (G Forster, 16-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 fav Heaven-Liegh-Grey (6th), 9-2 Boursin, 6 Press Gallery (4th), 7 Metal Boys, 10 Penny Hassett, 14 Finjan, Flashy's Son, 16 Petite-D-Argent (5th), 20 Food Of Love, Educated Pet, 33 Absolution. 14 ran. ¾l, 3l, sh hd, 2l, 1l. P Felgate at Newmarket. Tote: £8.20; £2.10, £2.10, £6.10. DF: £22.60. CSF: £71.51. Tricast: £948.74. After a stewards' enquiry, result stood.

4.10 (1m 3f) 1, SILKY HEIGHTS (N Connorton, 16-1); 2, Duplicata (S Maloney, 6-4 fav); 3, Wanza (E Johnson, 20-1). ALSO RAN: 100-30 Young Tess (5th), 8 Missa Brevis (6th), Nomadic Fire, 10 Merry Mermaid (4th), Raggerty, 12 Duke Of Dreams, 14 Rich Asset, 25 Social Vision. 11 ran. Nk, 5l, hd, 2l, 2½l. M Camacho at Malton. Tote: £53.00; £9.90, £1.80, £2.90. DF: £136.30. CSF: £42.80. Tricast: £500.28.

4.40 (5f) 1, TAKADOU (P Robinson, 10-1); 2, Lucius Locket (G Carter, 7-4 fav); 3, Chiltole (S Maloney, 6-1). ALSO RAN: 9-4 Doctor James, 4 Just Greenwich (4th), 8 Hotoroft, 14 Lady Sheriff (5th), Oakley Manor (6th). 8 ran. 3l, 1½l, ¾l, 1½l, ½l. Miss L Siddall at Tadcaster. Tote: £26.10; £3.90, £1.10, £2.70. DF: £20.50. CSF: £31.26.

5.10 (1m 3f) 1, DARMSTADT (G Hind, 8-11 fav); 2, Hatta River (A Clark, 4-1); 3, Two Lumps (S O'Gorman, 9-2). ALSO RAN: 17-2 Best Appearance (4th), 10 Rising Wolf (5th). 5 ran. 6l, 12l, 4l, ½l. J Gosden at Newmarket. Tote: £1.80; £1.10, £2.10. DF: £2.80. CSF: £4.24.
Placepot: £89.90.

Ayr

Going: good to soft

2.15 (7f) 1, Kazio Rufo (M Wigham, 10-1); 2, Diamond Frontier (50-1); 3, Times Zando (40-1). Giddingonby 10-11 fav. 7 ran. Hd, sh hd. P Kelleway. Tote: £29.90, £4.90, £9.70. CSF: £197.45. DF: £3.70 (winner or 2nd with any other). After stewards' enquiry, result stood.

2.50 (1m) 1, Lombard Ships (A Mackay, 4-1); 2, Barley Cake (3-1); 3, Imperial Bid (5-4 fav). 6 ran. NR: Hod-Mod. 6l, nk. A Bailey. Tote: £6.80; £1.70, £2.10. DF: £9.80. CSF: £15.95.

3.25 (1m 2f) 1, Hyde's Happy Hour (J Fortune, 3-1); 2, Daring Past (8-1); 3, Greystyle (16-1). Contract Elite 5-2 fav. 6 ran. 1½l, 8l. N Tinkler. Tote: £4.00; £2.00, £3.80. DF: £12.40. CSF: £22.09.

4.00 (1m 5f 13yd) 1, Lake Poopo (D Holland, 2-7 fav); 2, Carousel Magic (16-2); 3, Santa Sistar (4-1). 4 ran. 30l, 20l. B Hills. Tote: £1.30. DF: £2.70. CSF: £3.61.

4.35 (5f) 1, Fort Erie (L Charnock, 3-1 jt-fav); 2, Certificate-X (4-1); 3, Wharfedale Music (6-1). Welsh Mist 3-1 jt-fav. 7 ran. 4l, sh hd. J Bottomley. Tote: £2.80; £2.20, £1.70. DF: £3.50. CSF: £13.60.

5.05 (5f) 1, Just Bob (J Tate, 7-2 jt-fav); 2, Langtonian (5-1); 3, Loft Boy (12-1). Barbezieux 7-2 jt-fav. 9 ran. 1½l, ¾l. S Kettlewell. Tote: £3.00; £1.10, £1.10, £3.80. DF: £5.30. CSF: £13.60.
Placepot: not won (pool of £2,076.50 carried forward to Ayr today).

Felgate continues run

PAUL Felgate, the Newmarket trainer, admitted to being "cock-a-hoop" after saddling Macs Maharanee to win yesterday's Suter Handicap at Redcar.

Felgate's delight stemmed from the fact that he used to train for the sponsoring firm's chairman David Abell. But, even more significantly, it was the fourth occasion in seven years he had supplied the winner of the six-furlong race.

Felgate, who was recording only his third victory of 1993, said that his team are "running out of their skins at the moment" and thinks he could double that tally by the end of next week.

He added: "I won this race for Mr Abell with Softly Spoken and Gemini Fire the first two years it was held [1987 and 1988] and I think it was 1990 when Bernstein Bette was successful for another owner in the yard, beating Mr Abell's runner Lars Porsena."

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Aspen advance past Raiders' challenge

BY JOHN WATSON

THE dismally wet conditions that have been the hallmark of the Royal Windsor Cup polo tournament this season prevailed at Smith's Lawn, Windsor Great Park, yesterday when a particularly fine quartet of medium-goal teams rode out in the semi-finals. The first of the ties was won by the local squad, Aspen, with a convincing 6-3 victory over Ashbert Raiders, the Cowdray Park foursome, who are put together by the Nigerian player, Albert Esiri.

Aspen's forward element, composed of Nicky Evans and the American five-goaler, Warren Scherer, pivoted on James Lucas, formed a stronger attacking force than that fielded by Ashbert, which was quickly apparent in the first chukka.

Scherer opened Aspen's account, scoring with a stylish nearside back-handed effort. Within a minute, following a cross by Esiri, he found the Ashbert flags again from a 30-yard penalty conversion. By treading-in time, the Aspen team had built up a 3-1 lead.

During the second half of the game, the Ashbert back, Paul Withers, a veteran with more than 30 years' polo experience, who stemmed many Aspen assaults, closed the deficit with a couple of well-lofted penalty goals. But there was no stopping the forceful play of Lucas and Scherer.

ASPEN: 1, N Evans (4); 2, W Scherer (5); 3, J Lucas (5); back, D Matthews (10).
ASHBERT RAIDERS: 1, A Esiri (1). 2, J Gilmore (4); 3, O Ellis (5); back, P Withers (5).
CALTROPO: 1, W Hine (3); 2, P Elliot (5); 3, F Bachmann (6); back, H Pearl (1).
MAPLE LEAFS: 1, G Weston (Junior) (2); 2, A Hine (5); 3, D Reid (6); back, B Webb (2).

CRICKET
Second Cornhill Test match
Third day of five; 11.0, 90 overs minimum
LORD'S: England v Australia
Britannic Assurance county championship
Third day of four
11.0, 110 overs minimum
COLWYN BAY: Glamorgan v Durham
CANTERBURY: Kent v Derbyshire
OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v Sussex
NORTHAMPTON: Northamptonshire v Hampshire
TRENT BRIDGE: Notts v Essex
BATH: Somerset v Middlesex
EDGBASTON: Warwickshire v Surrey
SHEFFIELD: Yorkshire v Gloucestershire
Other match
WORCESTER: Worcestershire v Oxford University

FOOTBALL
US Cup '93
England v Germany (in Detroit, 7.0) ......

OTHER SPORT
BOWLS: NatWest Bank Middleton Cup (2.00) Group 1: Section A: Durham v Lancs (Houghton Dairy Lane); Yorkshire v Cumbria (Pickering). Section B: Lincs v Northumberland (Cleethorpes); Notts v Derbyshire (HQ, Nottingham). Group 2: Section A: Suffolk v Warwickshire (Marlborough, Ipswich); Norfolk v Herts (Norwich). Section B: Leics v Northamptonshire (New Lount); Huntingdonshire v Cambs (Brampton Institute). Group 3: Section A: Oxfordshire v Surrey (Oxford City and County), Middlesex v Isle of Wight (Uxbridge). Section B: Hampshire v Kent (Atherley); Sussex v Bucks (Worthing Pavilion). Group 4: Section A: Hereford v Somerset (Hereford); Worcs v Gloucs (Chester Road, Kidderminster). Section B: Devon v Dorset (Exonia); Wiltshire v Cornwall (Swindon).
ATHLETICS: Pearl Games (Belfast).
GOLF: Jersey European Airways Open.
TENNIS: Direct Line Insurance Manchester Open (Didsbury); Volkswagen Cup (Eastbourne); Wimbledon championships qualifying tournament (Roehampton).
LACROSSE: England v Johns Hopkins University (Cheadle Town FC, 2.30).

Tomorrow

CRICKET
Second Cornhill Test match
Fourth day of five: 11.0, 90 overs minimum
LORD'S: England v Australia
Axa Equity and Law League
COLWYN BAY: Glamorgan v Durham
CANTERBURY: Kent v Derbyshire
OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v Sussex
NORTHAMPTON: Northamptonshire v Hampshire
TRENT BRIDGE: Nottinghamshire v Essex
BATH: Somerset v Middlesex
EDGBASTON: Warwickshire v Surrey
SHEFFIELD: Yorkshire v Gloucestershire
Other match
WORCESTER: Worcestershire v Oxford University.
MCC TROPHY: Quarter-finals: Bedford School: Bedfordshire v Herts. Walsall: Staffs v Shropshire. Instow: Devon v Wiltshire. Jesmond: Northumberland v Cheshire.

OTHER SPORT
GOLF: Jersey European Airways Open.
MOTO-CROSS: International TV Supercup (Donington).
CYCLING: Manx international week.
LACROSSE: England v Johns Hopkins University (Sale RFC, 2.30).

مكتبة الأمل

Elbio coaxed back to title victory

BY RICHARD EVANS
RACING CORRESPONDENT

AFTER a week of unsettled weather, the final day of Royal Ascot produced a set of results to match, capped by the unexpected 12-1 victory of Elbio in the King's Stand Stakes. As with most surprises in racing, a rational assessment of the outcome after the event produces a different verdict to that spawned by pre-race hype and hope.

And so it was with Elbio. Winner of this race in 1991, and unlucky when beaten less than a length into third place by Sheikh Albadou last year, Peter Makin's tough sprinter had every right to be in the shake-up again.

As punters backed Wolfhound down to odds-on, they might have paused had they known how Makin coaxed his six-year-old star back to fitness during the past few days.

"He had a blood disorder that we could not get right," the Marlborough trainer said. "Then he pulled a muscle in his back before suffering an infection in a joint. He came right for the first time at the beginning of this week. It has been a very interrupted programme."

Walter Swinburn, who has previously won the first leg of the sprinter's crown on Marwell and Sheikh Albadou, could hardly believe how well Elbio was travelling behind the leaders in sharp contrast to the favourite, who was being scrubbed along halfway through the race. "I had to take a pull and I have never had to do that before in this race," Swinburn said.

After sharing the lead for half a mile, Lyric Fantasy and Freddie Lloyd gave way to Paris House before Swinburn brought Elbio with a finely timed run up the rails to strike the front inside the final furlong. "Elbio is in the July Cup but so is Zafonic," Makin, in a resigned voice, said.

The day of upsets began when The Puzzler, backed down to favouritism for the Windsor Castle Stakes, ran in the sidewards style of a crab to trail in last behind Great Deeds, trained by Mick Channon.

Red Bishop, strongly supported to win the Hardwicke Stakes despite never having triumphed over the 12-furlong trip, was the next favourite to tumble. Jeune, a half-brother to the King Edward VII Stakes winner, Beneficial, completed a memorable double for Geoff Wragg and will now be aimed at the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes.

Exhilaration was tinged with sadness for the trainer, James Toller, after the success of Nagida in the Wokingham Handicap. His aunt, Ursula, one of the filly's five owners, was taken seriously ill earlier in the day.

While Michael Roberts had a meeting to forget, having finished runner-up eight times, Pat Eddery had five winners to secure the Ritz Club Charity Trophy and his confidence was reflected in a masterly ride on Show Faith in the Britannia Stakes.

Although the rain will have deterred some people from going to Royal Ascot over the past four days, the fall in attendance is worrying. The crowd yesterday was down from 39,362 to 34,959. The four-day total this year was 185,000 exactly, compared to 200,000-210,000 last year. The reasons for the slump, I believe, are deep seated and not attributable entirely to the recession.

While the royal meeting retains charm and exclusivity, it is in danger of losing more public support due to a variety of fundamental problems.

To be blunt, Ascot survives in spite of itself. Or at least, it has done until now. The trustees of Ascot, headed by Sir Piers Bengough and including Lord Hartington, need to carry out careful fine-tuning to prevent Royal Ascot suffering the fate of the Derby.

Nap: WESTFIELD MOVES
(7.15 Warwick)
Next best: Alderbrook
(5.10 Ascot)

JULIAN HERBERT



On target: Great Deeds, right, gives the trainer, Mick Channon, his first Royal Ascot win in the Windsor Castle Stakes

Sangster's renaissance wrests glory from Arabs

BY JULIAN MUSCAT



Sangster: spirited duels

SHAIKH Mohammed, by all accounts, does not like to come off second best. He even enjoys a healthy rivalry with his three brothers from Dubai, Shaikhs Maktoum, Hamdan and Ahmed.

When the family honour is at stake, however, he relishes a challenge, as evidenced by his fierce bidding duels with Robert Sangster at yearling auctions across the globe.

Sangster had little option but to retire from the cut and thrust of the auction ring. Yet at Royal Ascot this week, where each race is more keenly contested than at any other fixture, it was Sangster who emerged with the honours. Victories by Stonehatch, Imperial Ballet, Turtle Island and State Performer eclipsed his previous best total of three in 1984.

By contrast, Shaikh Mohammed's silks were carried to a solitary victory by Learmont in the King George V Handicap, a mere scrap from a table overladen with 15 group races. The Dubai patron also had to contend with no less than seven second-bests.

These miserable statistics follow on from the meeting last year, when John Gosden, trainer of Learmont, saddled Shaikh Mohammed's only winner when Landowner annexed the Queen's Vase.

Sangster's Royal Ascot haul now stands at 18. His revival of fortune can be largely attributed to his support of Peter Chapple-Hyam, the 30-year-old Manton trainer who has made such an impact. Not afraid to run his juveniles, he saddled three of Sangster's winners, all in two-year-old races that were conspicuous by the lack of a single participant from Shaikh Mohammed's vast string.

French trainers also enjoyed something of a renaissance after managing just two victories in the last decade. They were nobly represented in two of the meeting's three group one races, courtesy of Kingmambo and Gold Splash, while Infrasonic, owned by Khaled Abdulla, made it a treble for France in the Queen's Vase.

Abdulla's operation, often compared to that of his Dubai neighbour, produced three winners. A further irony is that Shaikh Mohammed's only winner, Learmont, was actually bred by one of Abdulla's advisers in Rhydian Morgan-Jones.

Home-bred winners outnumbered those sold publicly by 14 to ten. Of the week's 24 winners, two were by stallions, in Top Ville and Dancing Brave, who stood at Shaikh Mohammed's Dalham Hall Stud. In keeping with the shaikh's wretched fortune, however, both stallions are no longer residents at his breeding operation in Newmarket. They were exported years ago.

THUNDERER
2.15 Celestial Rumour. 2.45 Puritan. 3.15 Two Moves In Front. 3.45 Sir Arthur Hobbs. 4.15 Desert Venus. 4.45 Abbraak. 5.15 Runrig.

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT SIS
DRAW: 5F-6F, LOW NUMBERS BEST

2.15 BELLEISLE MEDIAN AUCTION MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,549: 6f) (12 runners)

1 ALL IN THE MIND C Thornton 9-0 T Williams 4
2 60 BEDAZZLE 7 M Brittain 9-0 M Wigham 2
3 2 CELESTIAL RUMOUR 19 M H Easterby 9-0 K Darley 9
4 CHANTRY BEATH C Thornton 9-0 D Nicholls 1
5 50 FEARLESS WONDER 15 Mrs M Reveley 9-0 Darren Moffatt (5) 10
6 FOUR OF SPADES B Beasley 9-0 S D Williams (5) 6
7 35 NO MEAN CITY 9 A Bailey 9-0 A Mackay 7
8 THUNDERBIRD TWO Denys Smith 9-0 C Teague (7) 11
9 ANITA'S LOVE J Berry 8-9 J Carroll 8
10 2 ENCORE M'LADY 14 F Lee 8-9 S Perks 3
11 MISS PIGALLE Miss L Perratt 8-9 G Duffield 5
12 STRATHTORE DREAM Miss L Perratt 8-9 B Raymond 12

3-1 Encore M'Lady, 7-2 Celestial Rumour, 4-1 Anita's Love, 5-1 No Mean City, 8-1 Strathtore Dream, 10-1 Bedazzle, Chantry Beath, 12-1 All In The Mind, 14-1 others.

2.45 DOONFOOT LIMITED STAKES (£2,623: 1m 7f) (9)

1 6105 LEGION OF HONOUR 8 (F,G) M Naughton 5-9-12 V Halliday (7) 2
2 3442 MENTALASANYTHIN 10 (BF,G,S) A Bailey 4-9-12 A Mackay 4
3 0603 MINGUS 10 (B) R Fisher 6-9-12 D Nicholls 9
4 1-00 PURITAN 14 (F,S) N Tinkler 4-9-12 G Duffield 3
5 014- TRONCHETTO 14J (S) J O'Neill 4-9-12 B Raymond 7
6 0-00 BRIDGE PLAYER 37J (G) D Moffatt 6-9-7 Darren Moffatt (5) 8
7 31-6 MYSTIC MEMORY 19J (F) Mrs M Reveley 4-9-7 K Darley 5
8 2222 SAFETY IN NUMBERS 15 Mrs J Ramsden 3-8-8 J Carroll 1
9 13-1 FUNNY CHOICE 23 (F,G) P Monteith 3-8-3 S D Williams (5) 6

7-2 Legion Of Honour, 4-1 Funny Choice, 9-2 Mentalasanythin, 11-2 Mystic Memory, 13-2 Safety In Numbers, 7-1 Puritan, 10-1 Tronchetto, 33-1 others.

3.15 HIGH SPEED PRODUCTION SPRINT HANDICAP (3-Y-O:£3,095: 5f) (5)

1 1335 TWO MOVES IN FRONT 9 (D,BF,F,G,S) J Berry 9-7 J Carroll 4
2 3211 SHADOW JURY 14 (CD,F,G,S) D Chapman 9-4 K Darley 5
3 6-50 SCORED AGAIN 43 R Whitaker 7-12 A Mackay 2
4 -064 PRINCIPAL PLAYER 5 (B) P Monteith 7-11 F Norton 3
5 6094 SELVOLE 14 (D,F) Miss L Perratt 7-7 Darren Moffatt (5) 1

5-4 Shadow Jury, 7-4 Two Moves In Front, 5-1 Principal Player, 6-1 Scored Again, 20-1 Selvole.

3.45 WILLIAMS DE BROE HANDICAP (£2,941: 7f) (8)

1 -034 AYR RAIDER 26 (V,F,G) Miss L Perratt 6-9-10 G Duffield 2
2 0344 ASHGORE 14 (G) M Johnston 3-9-6 T Williams 5
3 140- CRESELLY 199 (CD,F,G,S) R Allan 6-9-5 K Darley 1
4 00-5 SIR ARTHUR HOBBS 21 (CD,F,G) F Lee 6-9-4 N Kennedy (5) 6
5 -000 YOUNG VALENTINE 23 (F) R Whitaker 4-8-13 B Raymond 8
6 4531 LOMBARD SHIPS 1 (B,F,G,S) A Bailey 6-9-3 (7ex) W Hawksley (7) 7
7 -400 ALWAYS RISKY 2 (G) Miss L Perratt 3-8-9 J Carroll 4
8 -000 ROYAL COMEDIAN 28 B Murray 4-8-4 F Norton 3

7-4 Lombard Ships, 5-2 Ashgore, 4-1 Sir Arthur Hobbs, 5-1 Ayr Raider, 12-1 Creselly, 20-1 Young Valentine, 25-1 Always Risky, 33-1 Royal Comedian.

4.15 ROMAN WARRIOR SHIELD (£3,348: 7f) (7)

1 MIDDLEHAM CASTLE 58J M Johnston 4-9-7 T Williams 4
2 04- GRUMPY'S GRAIN 336 Miss L Perratt 3-8-12 K Darley 5
3 60 MAJOR JACK 28 P Monteith 3-8-12 S D Williams (5) 2
4 3-02 DESERT VENUS 10 B Hanbury 3-8-7 B Raymond 6
5 6 HUNTERS OF BRORA 23 J Bethell 3-8-7 J Carroll 3
6 MILLEMAY P Monteith 3-8-7 A Mackay 7
7 6-4 MICHODOULA 31 M Prescott 3-8-7 G Duffield 1

1-4 Desert Venus, 9-2 Michodoula, 20-1 Hunters Of Brora, 50-1 others.

4.45 LONGHILL MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,231: 1m) (6)

1 364 ABBRAAK 15 B Hanbury 8-11 B Raymond 4
2 54 AZOLA 10 D Loder 8-11 F Norton 1
3 04 BILOELA 23 Jimmy Fitzgerald 8-11 K Darley 5
4 5300 GROGFRYN 16 J Berry 8-11 S D Williams (5) 6
5 KEEN AND CLEAN D Moffatt 8-11 Darren Moffatt (5) 2
6 0 SUSPECT 23 Mrs S Bradburne 8-11 A Mackay 3

6-4 Azola, 2-1 Abbraak, 5-2 Biloela, 14-1 Grogfryn, 66-1 others.

5.15 SNODGRASS APPRENTICE HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £2,346: 1m) (11)

1 20-6 I REMEMBER YOU 28 F Lee 9-7 H Bastiman 9
2 6-50 FORT VALLY 40 (B) B Murray 9-0 G Parkin (3) 3
3 034 VIKING WATERS 18 B Beasley 8-7 J Dennis (5) 2
4 1330 HIGH ROMANCE 29 (G) D Moffatt 8-6 S Copp (5) 8
5 -030 WONDERFUL YEARS 18 Mrs J Ramsden 8-5 V Halliday 7
6 2300 RUNRIG 10 Miss L Perratt 8-3 R Havlin (3) 5
7 440 MR ABBOT 24 Mrs M Reveley 7-13 W Hawksley (7) 8
8 4560 SEVERE STORM 9 P Monteith 7-9 C Teague (5) 11
9 000 ALBEIT 44 C Thornton 7-9 Claire Balding (3) 1
10 6303 GOLD DESIRE 28 M Brittain 7-7 J Marshall 10
11 00-5 LETTERMORE 18 Mrs M Reveley 7-7 M Baird (5) 4

4-1 Lettermore, 9-2 I Remember You, Wonderful Years, 5-1 Runrig, 6-1 Gold Desire, 8-1 Viking Waters, 10-1 Mr Abbot, 12-1 Fort Vally, 14 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: Mrs J Ramsden, 14 winners from 57 runners, 24.6%; Jimmy Fitzgerald, 3 from 17, 17.6%; Mrs M Reveley, 7 from 40, 17.5%; D Moffatt, 4 from 25, 16.0%; J Berry, 29 from 192, 15.1%; M Prescott, 3 from 21, 14.3%.

JOCKEYS: K Darley, 30 wins from 174 rides, 17.2%; J Carroll, 18 from 148, 12.2%; G Duffield, 7 from 64, 10.9%; Only qualifiers.

THUNDERER
1.45 Greek Night Out. 2.20 Darzee. 2.50 Claudia Miss. 3.25 Murasil. 3.55 Naif. 4.30 Simaat. 5.00 Persian Charmer.
Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.20 Darzee. 3.55 Naif.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM SIS
DRAW: 6F-1M, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

1.45 LIVERTON SELLING STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,070: 7f) (16 runners)

1 0 ABBIES DREAM 25 J Bradley 8-11 J Weaver (3) 10
2 COVER POINT M W Easterby 8-11 T Lucas 8
3 4 MISTER BEAT 15 Jimmy Fitzgerald 8-11 K Fallon 5
4 53 NORBECK 40 (B) J Carr 8-11 S Morris 4
5 OOH AH CANTONA R Whitaker 8-11 A Culhane 16
6 244 PASSION SUNDAY 10 M H Easterby 8-11 M Birch 15
7 0 PHIL THE TILL 4 (B) W Haigh 8-11 Dale Gibson 9
8 00 STEANARD BOY 24 G Moore 8-11 R Cochrane 7
9 4600 WINGS AHEAD 4 T Fairhurst 8-11 J Fanning 3
10 0 ZIGGYS BOY 31 J Bradley 8-11 G Hind 6
11 GREEK NIGHT OUT M Johnston 8-6 Dean McKeown 13
12 448 LUNAR RHAPSODY 21 M W Easterby 8-6 S Maloney (3) 11
13 SNUGFIT ANNIE M W Easterby 8-6 N Connorton 12
14 000 TEN TIMES TANGO 15 M Brittain 8-6 S Webster 2
15 54 WILLWIN 10 J Berry 8-6 J Fortune 14
16 3500 XAMDIVAD 14 (B) S Norton 8-6 J Tate (7) 1

2-1 Mister Beat, 5-2 Passion Sunday, 7-1 Lunar Rhapsody, 8-1 Greek Night Out, 10-1 Xamdivad, 12-1 Ooh Ah Cantona, 20-1 others.

2.20 STAITHES MAIDEN STAKES (£3,318: 1m 6f 19yd) (7)

1 5 QUARTZ HILL 10 R Lamb 4-9-7 G Hind 2
2 2 THE LAUGHING LORD 19J P Cheesbrough 7-9-7 M Birch 6
3 NOUVELLE CUISINE 19J G Moore 5-9-2 J Fanning 5
4 2636 ALYDUNCAN 18 G Harwood 3-8-4 K Fallon 3
5 42 DARZEE 10 L Cumani 3-8-4 R Cochrane 7
6 0- TRY N' FLY 315 Mrs M Reveley 3-8-4 Dean McKeown 4
7 53 CARA'S PRIDE 8 P Calver 3-7-13 Dale Gibson 1

7-4 Darzee, 5-2 Alyduncan, The Laughing Lord, 6-1 Nouvelle Cuisine, 14-1 others.

2.50 ROTHMANS ROYALS NORTH SOUTH CHALLENGE SERIES (Handicap: £3,785: 7f) (12)

1 0/00 GRANITTON BAY 7 (V,D,F,S) R Whitaker 6-9-10 A Culhane 1
2 0315 SARTIGILA 28 (S) M Hammond 4-9-9 R Cochrane 11
3 3656 BOY MARTIN 124 (F,G) S Kettlewell 4-9-9 J Fortune 12
4 4103 ARABAT 8 (C,D,F,G,S) M Wane 6-9-8 K Fallon 8
5 0400 PRINCE BELFORT 3 (F) J Eyre 5-9-8 J Tate (7) 5
6 6001 BALLAD DANCER 3 (CD,G,S) P Calver 8-9-6 (5ex) G Hind 6
7 1200 CLAUDIA MISS 10 (D,G,S) W Haigh 6-9-3 Dean McKeown 10
8 0-40 ANGELS ANSWER 19 (S) Mrs M Reveley 4-9-2 S Maloney (3) 7
9 000- ROAR ON TOUR 233 (D,G) Mrs M Reveley 4-9-2 J Fanning 9
10 0831 LEGEND DULAC 8 (D,G,S) J Harris 4-9-1 M Tebbutt 3
11 -046 SUPREME BOY 10 P Harris 4-8-13 M Birch 2
12 6320 ASTERIX 11 (V,D,F) J Bradley 5-8-11 J Weaver (3) 4

6-1 Legend Dulac, 13-2 Sartigila, 7-1 Boy Martin, Ballad Dancer, 8-1 Prince Belfort, Roar On Tour, Supreme Boy, 10-1 Arabat, Claudia Miss, 12-1 others.

3.25 SURFACHEM LADY AMATEUR RIDERS MAIDEN HANDICAP (£3,027: 1m) (16)

1 345- LET'S GET LOST 252 W Haggas 4-11-7 Mrs M Haggas (7) 9
2 5-53 ALMOSTAUTOMATIC 5 R Curtis 4-10-11 Miss A Purdy 5
3 000- CRESTWOOD LAD 19J Mrs M Reveley 4-10-3 Miss A Yardley (7) 8
4 -433 SUDDEN SPIN 28 J Berry 3-9-13 Miss Diana Jones 6
5 5460 THE DANDY DON 14 Denys Smith 4-9-12 Miss M Carson (7) 1
6 0-32 MASTER OFTHE HOUSE 18 M Hammond 7-9-12 Mrs L Pearce 2
7 2-00 ESSAYEFFSEE 22 Mrs M Reveley 4-9-9 Miss J Winter 4
8 0666 MUMMYS ROCKET 15 (B) A Bailey 4-9-8 Mrs J Crossley 11
9 2045 LORD LAMBSON 17 R Whitaker 4-9-7 Mrs A Farrell 16
10 2005 FUTURE FAME 18 J Bethell 4-9-5 Mrs D Wilkinson (7) 10
11 0-00 MURASIL 18 M Naughton 4-9-2 Miss P Robson 14
12 0-00 CROMER'S EXPRESS 18 T Kersey 4-9-2 Miss S Judge (7) 13
13 2-03 B B GLEN 9 D Morris 3-9-2 Mrs L Morris (7) 7
14 0/0 JOMOVE 18 Mrs M Reveley 4-9-0 Mrs M Cowdrey 12
15 0/00 HYDROPIC 15 D Chapman 6-9-0 Miss R Clark (7) 15
16 00/ WALTON MELODY 67J Mrs P Barker 6-9-0 Miss T Ager (7) 3

6-1 Master Ofthe House, 13-2 Let's Get Lost, Sudden Spin, 7-1 Essayeffsee, 8-1 The Dandy Don, B B Glen, 10-1 Mommys Rocket, Future Fame, 12-1 others.

3.55 RONALDSHAY HANDICAP (£4,709: 1m 2f) (5)

1 -863 VALLANCE 21 (D,F,G) P Harris 5-9-10 M Birch 4
2 15-6 ROYAL CITIZEN 7 (D,G) J Bottomley 4-9-4 K Fallon 5
3 00-2 JUBRAN 14 (F,G) M Johnston 7-9-2 Dean McKeown 1
4 3-01 NAIF 21 (G) L Cumani 3-9-0 R Cochrane 2
5 4211 I'M A DREAMER 18 (CD,F,G) W Haigh 3-8-6 Dale Gibson 3

5-2 Naif, 11-4 Vallance, 7-2 Jubran, 4-1 I'm A Dreamer, 11-2 Royal Citizen.

4.30 FORTY ACRE MAIDEN STAKES (£3,494: 1m) (5)

1 00 BROCTUNE BAY 24 Mrs M Reveley 4-8-5 M Birch 5
2 00 RUPERT'S REVENGE 10 J Payne 3-8-9 K Fallon 1
3 032 TEJ SINGH 25 (BF) L Cumani 3-8-9 R Cochrane 4
4 5 SIMAAT 10 J Gosden 3-8-4 G Hind 2
5 TINA'S DOMAIN J Berry 3-8-4 J Fortune 3

11-8 Tej Singh, 6-4 Simaat, 6-1 Broctune Bay, 10-1 others.

5.00 UGTHORPE RATING RELATED MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,084: 6f) (5)

1 20-3 HOY-LEIGH-RAG 28 M Johnston 9-0 Dean McKeown 3
2 5-60 LANCASTER PILOT 47 R Whitaker 9-0 A Culhane 5
3 005 OSCAR THE SECOND 21 T Fairhurst 9-0 J Fanning 1
4 -432 PERSIAN CHARMER 10 (B) Miss L Perratt 9-0 R Cochrane 4
5 0-05 BALIANA 19 C Booth 8-9 K Fallon 2

4-5 Persian Charmer, 5-2 Hoy-Leigh-Rag, 4-1 Lancaster Pilot, 16-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: P Harris, 4 winners from 12 runners, 33.3%; G Harwood, 10 from 34, 29.4%; L Cumani, 16 from 61, 26.2%; J Gosden, 10 from 53, 18.9%; M H Easterby, 26 from 165, 15.8%; Mrs M Reveley, 28 from 189, 14.8%.

JOCKEYS: R Cochrane, 9 from 44, 20.5%; M Birch, 25 from 178, 14.0%; G Hind, 9 from 69, 13.0%; J Fortune, 11 from 97, 11.3%; Dean McKeown, 16 from 149, 10.7%; K Fallon, 15 from 146, 10.3%.

Blinkered first time

AYR: 3.15 Principal Player. 5.15 Fort Vally. REDCAR: 1.45 Norbeck, Phil The Till, Xamdivad. SOUTHWELL: 8.05 Lady Randolph, Resisting.

THUNDERER

2.00 Aneesati
2.30 GREEN LANE (nap)
3.00 Simply Sooty
3.35 Western Cape
4.10 White Muzzle
4.40 Taghareed
5.10 Alderbrook

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 4.40 TAGHAREED (nap).
The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 5.10 ALDERBROOK.

GOING: SOFT DRAW: 5F-1M STR, LOW NUMBERS BEST SIS

2.00 RITZ CLUB FERN HILL RATED HANDICAP BBC1
(Listed race: 3-Y-O fillies: 1m) (7 runners)

101 (2) 221-426 ZENITH 31 (D,F) (The Queen) I Balding 9-7 L Dettori 94
102 (6) 4-314 ANEESATI 29 (D,G) (M Obaida) C Brittain 9-3 W R Swinburn 98
103 (4) 1-66 FABRIANA 52 (S) (Mrs P Payne) T Naughton 8-13 D Holland 93
104 (7) 420-260 BOBBIE DEE 14 (Mrs N Duffield) D Elsworth 8-13 J Williams [illegible]
105 (1) 10-62 FORTHWITH 14 (S) (L J Ward) J Hills 8-13 M Hills 98
106 (3) 120 ZAJIRA 26 (D,S) (H Al-Maktoum) R Armstrong 8-13 W Carson 96
107 (5) 840-221 BARBOUKH 15 (D,G) (R McCreery) D Elsworth 8-13 Pat Eddery 90

BETTING: 9-4 Aneesati, 100-30 Forthwith, 4-1 Bobbie Dee, 5-1 Barboukh, 8-1 Zenith, 12-1 Zajira, 16-1 Fabriana.
1992: CALPELLA 8-6 M Roberts (15-2) J Toller 13 ran

FORM FOCUS

ZENITH 1½l 2nd of 9 to Polka Dancer in a conditions race over course and distance (good) with FABRIANA 5l 6th. ANEESATI 3¼l 4th of 8 to Eurolink Thunder in a listed race at Newmarket (7f, good). BOBBIE DEE 29l last of 14 to Intrepidity in the group I Oaks at Epsom (1m 4f, good to firm). FORTHWITH 2¾l 2nd of 10 to Ribhi in a handicap at Epsom (1m 114yd, good to firm). ZAJIRA 18l 9th of 12 to Holly Golightly in a conditions race at Leicester (7f, good). BARBOUKH beat Eye Witness a neck in maiden at Epsom (1m 114yd, good). Selection: ANEESATI

2.30 HAAGEN DAZS HANDICAP BBC1
(£11,963: 2m 45yd) (18 runners)

201 (7) 60-5616 BRANDON PRINCE 19 (B,CD,F,G,S) (R Michaelson) I Balding 5-10-0 L Dettori 92
202 (12) 53-3013 HIERARCH 84 (G) (The Queen) Lord Huntingdon 4-9-9 D Harrison (3) 96
203 (14) 1-00401 GREEN LANE 7 (D,F,G,S) (R Lynch) R Akehurst 5-9-2 T Quinn 93
204 (6) 00/301-0 ELEGANT KING 8 (D,G) (L Fust) A Jarvis 4-9-1 S Whitworth —
205 (17) 000122 SHUJAN 8 (BF,G,S) (M Polglase) R Armstrong 4-9-1 G Carter 91
206 (10) 540-043 PROSEQUENDO 8 (G) (J Daniels) M Dixon 6-9-1 D Wright (7) 92
207 (11) 550530 AUDE LA BELLE 45 (D,F,S) (Mrs V Rapkins) R Callaghan 5-9-0 Pat Eddery 97
208 (9) 03/0-200 RAGAMUFFIN ROMEO 29 (W Gredley) N Wright 4-8-13 Paul Eddery 90
209 (4) 0/0342 CHAMPAGNE GOLD 8 (F,G,S) (Mrs C Massey) J McConnochie 6-8-8 J Williams 93
210 (13) 1-62212 TIGER SHOOT 10 (G,S) (C Lines) C Lines 6-8-6 J Lowe 91
211 (5) 25365-0 BELAFONTE 16 (F,G) (A Boden) C Brooks 6-8-5 J Reid 90
212 (2) 140215 ATLANTIC WAY 11 (D,F,G) (C Hill) C Hill 5-8-5 M Roberts 94
213 (3) 0004/1 NORSTOCK 7 (D,G) (N Quesnel) J White 6-8-4 R Price 90
214 (1) 421-334 PRIDE OF BRITAIN 11 (G,S) (Pride of Britain Ltd) L Cottrell 4-8-3 N Carlisle 87
215 (8) 2/0-5055 JADIDH 7 (D Hazzard) Mrs J Dawe 5-7-9 G Bardwell 96
216 (16) 0432/0 WHERE ARE WE 18 (Berkshire Components Ltd) D Williams 7-7-7 B Doyle (3) —
217 (18) 0/86204 PEACH BRANDY 10 (L Turner) R Voorspuy 4-7-7 N Adams [illegible]
218 (15) 05/00-04 RIMOUSKI 19J (J Steventon) B Cambidge 5-7-7 J Dolan 80

Long handicap: Where Are We 7-2, Peach Brandy 7-2, Rimouski 6-11.
BETTING: 11-4 Green Lane, 8-1 Aude La Belle, 10-1 Champagne Gold, 12-1 Prosequendo, Atlantic Way, Hierarch, 14-1 Elegant King, Shujan, Tiger Shoot, 16-1 others.
1992: FOR MOG 3-8-4 M Roberts (11-2) C Brittain 10 ran

FORM FOCUS

BRANDON PRINCE beat Valseur 2l in a 6-runner handicap at Newcastle (2m, good to soft). HIERARCH 2l 3rd of 11 to Master Foodbroker in a handicap at Newbury (2m, good). GREEN LANE beat Spectacular Dawn 2l in an 8-runner handicap at Bath (2m 1l, good to soft) with JADIDH (8lb better off) 10l 3rd. CHAMPAGNE GOLD ½l 2nd of 12 to Mull House in a handicap at Sandown (1m 6f, good) with PROSEQUENDO (same terms) 1½l 3rd and ELEGANT KING 11l 8th. TIGER SHOOT neck 2nd of 13 to Moonlight Quest in a handicap at Kempton (1m 4f, good). NORSTOCK beat Cartax 12l in an 8-runner maiden at Lingfield (AW, 2m). Selection: CHAMPAGNE GOLD

3.00 GRAND MET HANDICAP BBC1
(3-Y-O: £16,962: 5f) (11 runners)

301 (4) 148-182 SABRE RATTLER 38 (D,F,G,S) (H Hughes) J Berry 9-7 Pat Eddery 94
302 (9) 241-000 ANSELLMAN 17 (B,D,S) (Arcsolls of Watford) M Haynes 8-11 J Reid [illegible]
303 (10) 118411 PLAY HEVER GOLF 24 (D,F,G) (R Popely) T Naughton 8-8 D Holland 91
304 (8) 2480-11 TRUE PRECISION 28 (D,G,S) (T Lock) J Bethell 8-3 L Charnock 98
305 (3) 5314-28 LAUREL DELIGHT 17 (D,F,G) (Laurel (Leisure) Ltd) J Berry 8-3 G Carter 96
306 (7) 122310 ANOTHER JADE 7 (D,BF,G,S) (Mrs R Kaplan) A Jarvis 8-0 D Wright (7) 98
307 (5) 310-808 SIMPLY SOOTY 21 (D,S) (Mrs S John) B Millman 7-13 J Lowe 93
308 (6) 6-61 LOCH PATRICK 35 (F) (Miss E Cotter) L Holt 7-13 A McGlone 94
309 (2) 61-1 WALK THE BEAT 30 (D,F,S) (Country Life Partnership) R Simpson 7-11 A Tucker 95
310 (1) 321432 PLUM FIRST 4 (B,D,F,S) (Mrs D Benjamin) N Bycroft 7-7 N Adams 94
311 (11) 4090-88 WHERE'S THE DANCE 39 (Mrs J Costelloe) C Brittain 7-7 B Doyle (3) 81

Long handicap: Plum First 7-3, Where's The Dance 7-2.
BETTING: 9-2 True Precision, 5-1 Laurel Delight, 6-1 Loch Patrick, Simply Sooty, 7-1 Another Jade, 8-1 Play Hever Golf, Sabre Rattler, 12-1 Walk The Beat, 16-1 Ansellman, Plum First, 33-1 Where's The Dance.
1992: TAUFAN BLU 8-7 M Roberts (13-2 fav) M Johnston 16 ran

FORM FOCUS

SABRE RATTLER 2l 2nd of 7 to Bold Lez in a conditions race at Kempton (5f, good). PLAY HEVER GOLF beat Aragrove ½l in a 6-runner handicap at Brighton (5f 59yd, firm). TRUE PRECISION beat Young Em 3l in a 15-runner handicap at Newmarket (6f, good) with ANOTHER JADE (9lb better off) ¾l 3rd. LAUREL DELIGHT 4l 6th of 13 to El Yasaf in a listed handicap at Epsom (5f, good) with ANSELLMAN 3¾l 10th. LOCH PATRICK beat Putout 1l in an 11-runner maiden at Lingfield (6f, good to firm). WALK THE BEAT beat Krayyan Dawn head in a 10-runner claimer at Goodwood (6f, good to firm). PLUM FIRST 3½l 2nd of 18 to Formidable Liz in a handicap at Thirsk (6f, good to firm). Selection: LOCH PATRICK

3.35 SOUTHERN COMFORT MAIDEN STAKES BBC1
(3-Y-O: £10,416: 1m str) (5 runners)

401 (1) 40-0650 CANASKA STAR 17 (B) (Mrs J Sillon) P Kelleway 9-0 A Munro [illegible]
402 (3) 0 MIROSWAKI 18 (J Naughton) T Naughton 9-0 D Holland 73
403 (2) 4-4 WESTERN CAPE 72 (K Abdulla) R Charlton 9-0 Pat Eddery 75
404 (4) 6 RANI 81 (Mohammed Al Maktoum) C Brittain 8-9 M Roberts —
405 (5) 2-233 TOCHAR BAN 22 (D Elsworth) D Elsworth 8-9 W Carson 83

BETTING: 6-4 Western Cape, 2-1 Canaska Star, 9-4 Tochar Ban, 14-1 Rani, 20-1 Miroswaki.
1992: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

FORM FOCUS

CANASKA STAR 29l 14th of 15 to Commander In Chief in group I Derby at Epsom (1m 4f, good). MIROSWAKI 9l 7th of 12 to Black Dragon in a maiden at Sandown (1m 2f, firm). WESTERN CAPE 2l 4th of 18 to Soviet Line in a maiden at Leicester (1m, good). RANI 7¾l 8th of 10 to Sabalah in a maiden at Leicester (7f, firm). TOCHAR BAN 4¾l 3rd of 12 to Mashair in a maiden at Salisbury (1m 2f, good to soft). Selection: CANASKA STAR (nap)

4.10 CHURCHILL CONDITIONS STAKES
(3-Y-O: £11,005: 1m 4f) (3 runners)

501 (2) 0212-10 RIGHT WIN 20 (C,G,S) (C Kavanagh) R Hannon 9-3 T Quinn 87
502 (1) 33-111 WHITE MUZZLE 20 (D,F,G,S) (L Gaucci) P Chapple-Hyam 9-1 J Reid [illegible]
503 (3) 10- SCOTTISH PEAK 266 (S) (Lord Weinstock) Lord Huntingdon 8-11 W R Swinburn 84

BETTING: 1-3 White Muzzle, 11-4 Right Win, 14-1 Scottish Peak.
1992: PROFUSION 8-11 A Munro (11-10 fav) P Cole 4 ran

FORM FOCUS

RIGHT WIN beat Amaan's Sax 6l in a 5-runner listed race at Kempton (1m, soft). WHITE MUZZLE beat Needle Gun 5l in 16-runner group I Italian Derby at Capannelle (1m 4f, good to firm) with RIGHT WIN (2lb worse off) 1½l 5th. SCOTTISH PEAK 15l last of 10 to Desert Secret in group II Royal Lodge Stakes here (1m, soft). Selection: WHITE MUZZLE

4.40 EBF HALIFAX MAIDEN STAKES
(2-Y-O fillies: £8,841: 6f) (5 runners)

601 (3) 3 DOUCE MAISON 8 (L Fust) A Jarvis 8-11 S Whitworth 90
602 (4) 2 MARAGON 19 (I Matthews) R Williams 8-11 W Carson [illegible]
603 (5) RED RITA (T Brady) P Kelleway 8-11 A Munro —
604 (2) SCARLET DIVA (The Queen) I Balding 8-11 L Dettori —
605 (1) TAGHAREED (H Al-Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 8-11 R Hills —

BETTING: 6-4 Taghareed, 11-4 Scarlet Diva, 7-2 Douce Maison, 5-1 Maragon, 16-1 Red Rita.
1992: SUMOTO 8-11 W R Swinburn (10-11 fav) G Wragg 8 ran

FORM FOCUS

DOUCE MAISON 2l 3rd of 10 to Palana in a maiden at Goodwood (6f, good). MARAGON 3l 2nd of 6 to Ebala Ah in a maiden at Leicester (6f, good). SCARLET DIVA (Mar 31) half-sister by Soviet Star to 1m winner Zenith. TAGHAREED (Apr 26) half-sister by Shadeed to high class 1m winner Zoahi. Selection: DOUCE MAISON

5.10 LEVY BOARD RATED HANDICAP (£6,187: 1m 2f) (6 runners)

1 (6) 4-35601 RAMBO'S HALL 8 (C,D,F,G,S) (B Dixon) J Glover 8-9-7 W R Swinburn 98
2 (5) 40-2010 RISK MASTER 17 (G) (Mrs B Sumner) C Horgan 4-9-0 R Hills 95
3 (4) 1101-34 ROCKAWHILE 37 (D,B,S) (L Markopoulos) H Cecil 4-8-13 Pat Eddery 98
4 (1) 21-1111 ALDERBROOK 21 (D,G,S) (E Pick) Mrs J Cecil 4-8-8 Paul Eddery [illegible]
5 (3) 106-003 TALENT 17 (V,F) (The Queen) Lord Huntingdon 5-8-7 A Munro 93
6 (2) 002156- HIGHBROOK 107J (D,G) (M Cook) M Tompkins 5-8-7 P Robinson 89

Long handicap: Talent 8-2, Highbrook 8-2.
BETTING: 13-8 Alderbrook, 3-1 Rockawhile, 7-2 Rambo's Hall, 11-2 Talent, 8-1 Risk Master, 16-1 Highbrook.
1992: CHARLO 4-9-9 S Cauthen (5-1) J Gosden 7 ran

FORM FOCUS

RAMBO'S HALL beat Sarah-Clare 3l in a 9-runner claiming race at Goodwood (1m 2f, good). RISK MASTER beat Gymcrak Premiere neck in an 11-runner listed handicap at York (1m, good). ROCKAWHILE 2¾l 4th of 13 to Mohayaz in a handicap at York (1m 2f 85yd, good) with RAMBO'S HALL (4lb better off) 6½l 6th. ALDERBROOK beat Googly ½l in a 14-runner handicap at Kempton (1m 2f, good). Selection: RISK MASTER

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS	Wins	Rnrs	%	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	%
H Cecil	25	95	26.3	Pat Eddery	46	218	21.1
Lord Huntingdon	14	65	21.5	D Harrison	5	31	16.1
R Charlton	4	26	15.4	L Dettori	25	173	14.5
D Elsworth	15	104	14.4	W R Swinburn	20	152	13.2
H Thomson Jones	7	53	13.2	G Carter	6	48	12.5
M Tompkins	4	39	10.3	W Carson	27	217	12.4

TODAY'S RACES ON TELEVISION

ASCOT
BBC1

2.00: Aneesati's fourth behind Eurolink Thunder and Abbey's Gal at Newmarket last time looks even better following the pair's bold showing in the Jersey Stakes here on Wednesday. Clive Brittain's filly will appreciate the extra furlong today. The Queen's Zenith will be prominent but Forthwith, a good second at Epsom, rates the main danger.

2.30: Reg Akehurst has a remarkable ability to improve horses that come to him from other yards and Green Lane is the latest example. The five-year-old can supplement a comfortable victory at Bath last Saturday in what appears to be a weak race. Ian Balding's top weight, Brandon Prince, will love the ground but is weighted up to the hilt and Shujan is a more viable alternative.

3.00: Having won this race two years ago, Jack Berry can follow up with the speedy Laurel Delight, who returns to her own age group after running creditably against older sprinters at Epsom. True Precision is in top form and relishes the prevailing conditions. If Berry's runner fails to last out this testing five furlongs, James Bethell's runner is most likely to take advantage.

3.35: An uninspiring but valuable maiden featuring runners like Canaska Star and Tochar Ban, who have run well in better company. The lightly-raced Western Cape, trained by Roger Charlton, appeals in a trappy contest.

RICHARD EVANS

THUNDERER
6.15 Cee-Jay-Ay. 6.45 Nonios. 7.15 Princess Haifa. 7.45 Lyphard's Delta. 8.15 Mrs Snuggs. 8.45 Umbria.

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT SIS
DRAW: 5F, LOW NUMBERS BEST

6.15 FERNDALE APPRENTICE HANDICAP (£2,758: 7f) (9 runners)

1 1323 CEE-JAY-AY 14 (CD,F,G,S) J Berry 6-9-10 P Roberts (5) 5
2 00-0 GARTH 31 (C,F) R Hollinshead 5-9-6 L Aspell (5) 8
3 5016 WAKI GOLD 8 (F) M Channon 6-9-5 R Painter (5) 6
4 0-02 MUSTAHIL 7 (F) R Hodges 4-9-2 R Waterfield (5) 7
5 0031 PRINCE ROONEY 9 (D,F,G,S) P Butler 5-8-2 P McCabe 4
6 0534 JUST A STEP 15 (CD,F,G,S) M McCormack 7-9-0 D Gibbs 3
7 3500 BUDDY'S FRIEND 7 (F,G) R Williams 5-8-11 G Mitchell 9
8 4342 OLD COMRADES 11 (BF,D,F,G) L Cottrell 6-8-10 Mark Denaro 2
9 0103 ON Y VA 7 (D,G,S) R Williams 6-8-9 Sarah Thompson (8) 1

3-1 Cee-Jay-Ay, 4-1 Waki Gold, 5-1 Prince Rooney, 6-1 Mustahil, Old Comrades, 8-1 On Y Va, 10-1 Garth, Just A Step, 12-1 Buddy's Friend.

6.45 TOTE/RACING POST TEN TO FOLLOW MAIDEN AUCTION STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,070: 7f) (15)

1 05 BURES 24 M Tompkins 9-0 S Mulvey (7) 9
2 GAELIC RISK Pat Mitchell 9-0 P McCabe (7) 2
3 INDEFENCE M Channon 9-0 D Holland 4
4 LAC DE GRAS R Curtis 9-0 G Bardwell 6
5 04 MR MYSTICAL 10 J Moore 9-0 A McGlone 7
6 0363 NONIOS 10 B Meehan 9-0 M Roberts 5
7 0 ORANGE PLACE 28 M Bell 9-0 M Hills 11
8 00 PRINCE DANZIG 31 D Murray Smith 9-0 C Rutter 14
9 06 ASKING FOR ACES 15 N Callaghan 8-9 J Quinn 13
10 0 BILLPOSTER 15 J Berry 8-9 G Carter 12
11 003 CAPITAL LADY 47 B Rothwell 8-9 D Harrison (3) 15
12 CHELSEA LADY I Campbell 8-9 G Mitchell (7) 1
13 FAIRFIELD DANCER C Barwell 8-9 J Williams 10
14 GINGERBIRD H Cecil 8-9 W Ryan 8
15 263 ROSE OF GLENN 32 B Palling 8-9 Stephen Davies (5) 3

7-4 Gingerbird, 11-4 Nonios, 6-1 Orange Place, 7-1 Mr Mystical, 8-1 Indefence, 10-1 Prince Danzig, Rose Of Glenn, 12-1 Asking For Aces, Bures, 16-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: H Cecil, 15 winners from 40 runners, 37.5%; L Cumani, 3 from 10, 30%; R Akehurst, 6 from 29, 20.7%; J Berry, 20 from 104, 19.2%; G Lewis, 9 from 48, 18.4%; B Hills, 8 from 44, 18.2%.

JOCKEYS: M Roberts, 9 from 32, 28.1%; R Cochrane, 11 from 54, 20.4%; W Ryan, 12 from 68, 17.6%; M Hills, 9 from 55, 16.4%. Only qualifiers.

7.15 VICTORIA MEWS HANDICAP (£3,289: 1m 2f 169yd) (9)

1 140- LIGHT HAND 224 (F,G,S) M Tompkins 7-10-0 S Mulvey (7) 5
2 -060 HAROLDON 10 (G) B Palling 4-9-10 W Ryan 1
3 0-10 PRINCESS HAIFA 26 (C,F) M Stoute 3-9-5 M Roberts 4
4 -230 ATHAR 19 (G) R Baker 4-9-3 J Williams 7
5 5360 WESTFIELD MOVES 19 (F,G) H Collingridge 5-8-12 J Quinn 9
6 000- ANNABEL'S BABY 327 D Wintle 4-8-5 R Perham 2
7 0306 ACHELOUS 15 (B,BF,D,G,S) J Glover 6-8-5 D Holland 6
8 2060 LADY LACEY 9 (V,F,G,S) G Balding 6-8-2 Dale Gibson 8
9 050-0 RADIO CAROLINE 18 (D,G) M Tate 5-7-8 J Lowe 3

2-1 Princess Haifa, 9-2 Athar, 11-2 Light Hand, 6-1 Westfield Moves, 7-1 Achelous, 8-1 Lady Lacey, 12-1 others.

7.45 WARWICK OAKS CONDITIONS STAKES (Fillies: £3,557: 1m 2f 169yd) (3)

1 21 LYPHARD'S DELTA 11 (F) H Cecil 3-8-8 W Ryan 1
2 1- LILLE HAMMER 284 (G) L Cumani 3-8-6 R Cochrane 3
3 02- PEARLY MIST 284 C Brittain 3-8-6 M Roberts 2

4-5 Lyphard's Delta, 11-8 Lille Hammer, 5-1 Pearly Mist.

8.15 ASHORNE SELLING HANDICAP (£1,380: 1m 4f 115yd) (13)

1 630- DIAMOND WEDDING 238 (G) N Graham 4-9-13 M Roberts 5
2 0/504 LOCH DUICH 23J (D,F) R Hodges 7-9-9 S Drowne (7) 11
3 0/000 ASSEMBLY DANCER 21 D Williams 6-9-5 G Bardwell 6
4 -051 JALORE 7 (S) R Hollinshead 4-9-0 M Tebbutt 9
5 603/0 NOBLE SOCIETY 61 M Usher 5-9-0 R Perham 4
6 00/ WILTOSKI 15J (B) I Campbell 5-8-13 Dale Gibson 7
7 4513 MRS SNUGGS 15 (CD,S) M Tompkins 3-8-12 S Mulvey (7) 1
8 -000 EASTERN MAGIC 24 (B,G) J Akehurst 5-8-8 R Cochrane 2
9 620- BIORDANO 289 P Evans 3-8-7 J Williams 3
10 6000 SEASIDE MINSTREL 23 (C,F,G) R Manning 5-8-5 J Lowe 10
11 0036 WINGED WHISPER 12 (F) J Pickering 4-8-6 W Ryan 8
12 -060 SUMMER FLOWER 19 B Hills 3-8-4 D Holland 13
13 3000 GEE DOUBLE YOU 21 (F) D Haydn Jones 7-8-2 D Wright (7) 12

4-1 Jalore, 5-1 Mrs Snuggs, 6-1 Diamond Wedding, 7-1 Eastern Magic, 8-1 Summer Flower, Loch Duich, 10-1 Winged Whisper, 12-1 others.

8.45 HENLEY IN ARDEN HANDICAP (£2,978: 5f) (10)

1 0106 MARTINA 16 (BF,D,F,G,S) G Lewis 5-10-0 D Harrison (3) 9
2 5020 THE NOBLE OAK 15 (BF,D,F,G) M McCormack 5-9-8 Bina Faulkner (7) 3
3 5-50 MANOR ADVENTURE 14 B McMahon 3-9-2 S Sanders (7) 5
4 -051 MOVING IMAGE 15 (D,G,S) H Collingridge 3-9-1 C Dwyer 1
5 5232 TRIOMING 8 (CD,F) A Jones 7-8-13 M Roberts 4
6 3100 TOMMY TEMPEST 35 (D,S) K Burke 4-8-11 P McCabe (7) 6
7 5666 BRIGHT PARAGON 15 (D,S) H Collingridge 4-8-6 J Quinn 2
8 003-0 UMBRIA 45 R Akehurst 4-8-1 R Perham 10
9 5000 GRAND TIME 33 (D,F,G,S) C Hill 4-8-0 G Bardwell 8
10 5066 CASTLE MAID 7 R Hodges 6-7-7 J Lowe 7

7-2 Martina, 4-1 Trioming, 9-2 Moving Image, 11-2 Umbria, 7-1 The Noble Oak, 8-1 Tommy Tempest, Bright Paragon, 12-1 others.

Snurge faces stiff task

SNURGE (Richard Quinn) faces stiff opposition on his seasonal reappearance in the group one Gran Premio di Milano over 12 furlongs, at San Siro, Milan, tomorrow.

Eight runners go to post with three from France. Dariyoun, Petit Loup and Sharp Counsel. Germany is represented by Platini and the home team consists of Green Senor, Guado D'Annibale and Mr Richard.

Platini, who made a successful seasonal reappearance at Baden-Baden last month, looks to be the one they all have to beat.

British trainers are out in force at the Milanese track with Neil Graham running Baracca in the Premio Malpensa, John Dunlop represented by Fumo Di Londra in the listed Premio Bimbi and Futurballa and Smarginato in the other listed race, the Premio d'Estate. Paul Kelleway takes on the Dunlop duo in the d'Estate with Iomelli.

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Saturday portrait: Andre Agassi, by Andrew Longmore

A centre court jester whose Wimbledon legacy is fading fast

ILLUSTRATION BY STEVE MARTIN



For those who believed that winning Wimbledon would be the making of the man, Andre Agassi has been a deep disappointment. Far from growing into the role of Wimbledon champion, which he earned with a fortnight of sublime brilliance a year ago, Agassi has retreated to the sanctuary of his boyhood, venturing from his guarded fortress in the grounds of the Spanish Trails Country Club, north of Las Vegas, only, it seems, to watch ice hockey or basketball, enjoy his new high-profile friendship with Barbra Streisand or play lucrative exhibition tennis against another influential buddy, John McEnroe.

Far from turning over the new leaf he promised, and proving to all his many critics that a solid heart lay beneath the shallow smile and fashion accessories, Agassi has simply fostered the age-old accusations that, in the words of the advertisement that will stay with him long after his bicycle *shorts* have been consigned to the Wimbledon museum: "Image is everything". He has resembled Houdini more than the "Zen Master" Streisand christened him at the US Open last year.

Since he dropped to his knees on centre court in tearful disbelief of his first grand slam title 12 months ago, Agassi has played only 40 matches, including a mere five in grand slams. He has won two titles this year, both within radar distance of the Vegas strip, and played just two tournaments in Europe, the latest ending in a first-round defeat by a grass-court no-hoper in Germany this week.

Tonsillitis, groin strains, tendinitis in the wrist. Agassi's doctor must have suffered writer's cramp as a series of sick-notes have winged their way to all parts of the globe other than, by one of those strange coincidences that has fashioned the public perception of Agassi far more than the products of his colour-blind tailor, neighbouring states in the United States.

His one appearance in Paris, before the recent French Open, was an embarrassing interview with McEnroe on behalf of Nike, which produced a number of poor jokes, notably at the expense of the world No 1, Pete Sampras, and did little to suggest any intellectual advancement from his early days of outrage and official-baiting.

It was in Paris three years ago that he referred to Philippe Chatrier, head of the International Tennis Federation, as a "bozo". To his eternal credit, Chatrier refused to rise to the taunt, suggesting in a paternal way that the American was a very nice boy but needed to grow up a little. He was right then and, for all Agassi's consorting with the elders of sport and showbusiness, would probably still be right today.

On Monday, another sick-note notwithstanding, Agassi will take his place on centre court to begin the defence of his Wimbledon title against Bernd Karbacher, a tall young German with a huge forehand. Even after the last two years, nobody will know quite what to expect. Agassi, with just one match under his expanding waistline since early April, could easily lose in the first round. Equally, if he survives for a few days, recovers his confidence and enters into the spirit of the tournament as completely as he did last year, anything is possible.

> 'He has few friends on the circuit and rarely spends any time gossiping in the locker-room'

It is hard to envisage a repeat of the knife-edge virtuosity with which Agassi destroyed Becker in the quarter-finals or of the unexpected bravery with which he parried Ivanisevic's firepower in the final. Yet as Boris Becker said last week: "I would bet my house Agassi is not Wimbledon champion but, who knows, he could win it again."

Even Agassi himself, at the advanced age of 23, has little idea what the morrow will bring or when the muse will alight once more. In a life largely spent within the confines of a tennis court or within the equally constricting boundaries of planet Vegas, Agassi has enjoyed little chance to make contact with the real world. Consequently, he has as much idea of how his words and deeds will be received as a Martian.

He has few friends on the circuit even now and rarely spends any time gossiping in the locker-room. In Halle last week, he could not find anyone willing to practise with him. He is respected by the other players but still regarded with the same suspicion as he was when he first came on to the tour flaunting stonewashed shorts and his born-again Christianity seven years ago. Though the regulars at LJ's Sports Bar and Grill in Las Vegas, where Agassi likes to relax when off duty, would doubtless disagree, Agassi does little to encourage social contact.

At times, he seems frightened by it. On the tour, he is protected everywhere by his private trainer, Gil Reyes, and now travels to tournaments in a private jet. Wendy Stewart, the one normal person in his life, ended her long-time relationship with him late last year to pursue her own career.

Agassi's fear of the outside world is not surprising. His youth was spent honing his phenomenal talent on the hard courts of the Nick Bollettieri Academy in Bradenton, Florida. He turned professional in 1986, at 16, threw his rackets away in disgust the following year and, by the end of 1988, had reached No 3 in the world, thrilling the marketing men with his goldilocks innocence and his bible-bashing brilliance. Here, surely, was the boy to break the hearts of middle America.

By the time he was able to drive the expensive motor cars he regards as his one indulgence, Agassi was the main breadwinner in a family of four children that had largely survived on scraps until the extent of his marketability became apparent.

Agassi's father, Mike, an Armenian who emigrated from Iran as Emmanuel Agassian in 1952, boxed in the Olympics and turned professional for a short time when he first landed in Chicago. Shortly after, he moved to Las Vegas to become a tennis professional at the Tropicana Hotel and, when that did not prosper, worked as a waiter and a petrol pump attendant to pay for his youngest son's tennis education. Agassi has not forgotten the sacrifices. At the last count, Mike Agassi was on his third Cadillac.

While Becker, the game's other overloaded superstar, had won a Wimbledon title first and been marketed later, Agassi, the true son of a gamblers' paradise, exploited a system that rewarded show without achievement. That was not Agassi's fault. In fact, that *was* his main achievement until that magical fortnight at Wimbledon, which he must have believed would reduce the pressures on him once and for all. He was wrong. If anything, people expect more of him now because he is a Wimbledon champion and the realisation of that new responsibility might, in part, explain his anti-climactic year.

So little is really known about Agassi's curious psyche; a whole tapestry of half-truth and deception has been woven around him. Only last week in Halle, the fabrication industry was working overtime. Agassi had arrived by plane, by car, by No 42 bus, was about to pull out of Wimbledon, to give up the game, "take to the church.

There are only two certainties about Agassi. One is that, on his day, he is the most electrifying player of them all. The other is that, if he does make it to Wimbledon — and he has said he will play with his wrist in a plaster cast, if necessary — he will walk past a noticeboard of past champions on which the name A. Agassi is etched in gold letters. In years to come, that might prove the only lasting tribute to one of the game's greatest talents.

Navratilova moves step closer to eleventh title

BY STUART JONES, TENNIS CORRESPONDENT

THE seagulls keep screeching, the church bells keep chiming and Martina Navratilova keeps reaching the final. Nothing changes in the peaceful environs of Devonshire Park. Not even a fine spray of sea mist, which floated persistently across the area, could halt the usual flow of events.

Her opponent, though, Patty Fendick, was less predictable. Today, assuming that play remains possible, Navratilova will compete in her thirteenth final at Eastbourne against a comparative unknown, Miriam Oremans, 20, from Holland, who knocked out the holder, Lori McNeil, who had to play two matches during the elongated, interrupted day.

Navratilova, the top seed, was discomfited more by the drizzle than by her opponent in the semi-final. Fendick, 28, from Sacramento, seemed to be beaten before the start. Her apparent mental subservience did not represent a shining advertisement for her education. She is a Stanford University graduate in psychology.

The fourteenth seed and ranked 28th in the world, she threw points away on the swirling breeze and lost the first set 6-1 before play was temporarily suspended. Navratilova had dropped only one point on her service but in a less one-sided second set she conceded 2-6 before eventually winning it 6-3. She sported two pairs of shorts, one designed for cycling and the other for football. The far from effeminate garb was worn, she explained as a preventative measure.

In conditions which she described as "pretty miserable" she thus avoided straining muscles which she had felt beginning to tighten.

Fendick, as it happens, is renowned on the women's tour as a leg-puller but she could not time her strokes consistently enough to stretch the 36-year-old. Navratilova's principal inconvenience was having to pause between points to wipe her glasses. She was, she found, concentrating more on cleaning than on serving.

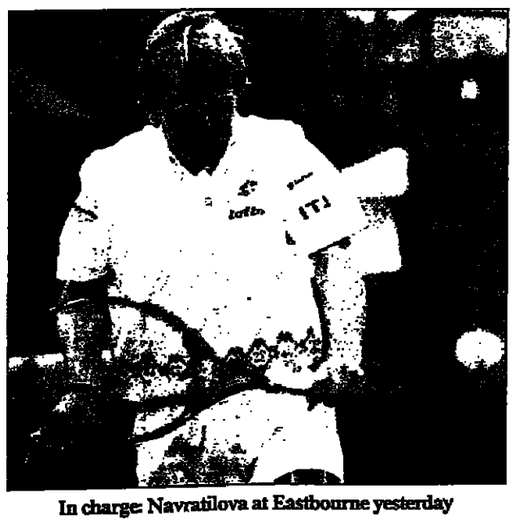
"You can't enjoy a match like that," she said. "You just get through it. I can't believe how many people were watching. It's a tribute to the British fans because it was freezing out there." It was also, she insisted, the best she had played in such conditions.

It led her a step closer to her eleventh title. She has lost only twice in the final — to Chris Evert, 9-7 in the third set in 1979, and to Helena Sukova six years ago. On both occasions she soon collected adequate compensation. A fortnight later she was the Wimbledon champion.

Oremans has competed twice at the All England club and never won. Indeed, she is a novice on grass. Her only previous experience this year had been one doubles match at Edgbaston last week. Yet she has since eliminated the fifteenth seed, Pam Shriver, the seventh, Kimiko Date, the fourth, Sukova and now the ninth, McNeil.

The holder had to complete her outstanding quarter-final against Nathalie Tauziat in the morning and looked to be running out of stamina in the evening. She double-faulted to concede the first set, 7-6, and went on to lose the second, after leading 4-2, by the same margin.

Oremans, ranked 42nd in the world, will today realise her ambition. "It has always been my dream to play against Martina on grass," she said breathlessly. Unless she is able to cause a sensation (she has never beaten anyone in the top ten during her brief career) nothing will change at Devonshire Park.



In charge: Navratilova at Eastbourne yesterday

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Powerful Masur reaches final

WALLY Masur, the scourge of British tennis players this week, won a marathon contest to reach his second ATP Tour final in succession in the Direct Line Insurance Manchester Open at Didsbury yesterday.

The Australian, who was born in Southampton, outlasted Henrik Holm, the Swedish second seed, 6-4, 6-7, 7-6 in the semi-finals six days after losing to Arnaud Boetsch, the Frenchman, in the final of the Rosmalen tournament in Holland.

Masur, 30, beat the Britons, Ross Matheson, Chris Wilkinson and Jeremy Bates in his first three matches this week. In the final he will meet his compatriot, Jason Stoltenberg, who defeated Stephane Simian, the French left-hander, 6-7, 6-2, 6-3 in the other semi-final.

It will be the first time that two Australians have met in a grand prix or ATP final since July 1988 when Masur beat Brad Drewett at Newport, Rhode Island.

That was Masur's last tour victory but he should be confident of winning today as he has beaten Stoltenberg three times in three meetings, though only once on grass, at Queen's Club, in 1989.

Stoltenberg said: "There's always a first time. It's good for me to have a lot of matches before Wimbledon. If someone had asked me at the start of the week what my goal here was I would have said I wanted to reach the final."

Yesterday, Masur took two hours 22 minutes before beating the volatile Holm, who received a code violation for throwing his racket into the net in the eighth game of the final set. It was a typical serve and volley encounter, with only three service breaks.

The match between Stoltenberg and Simian lasted one hour 47 minutes but might have ended earlier if the Australian, 23, had not missed a set point.

Simian knocked out one of his glass lenses when he deflected the ball into his face during the second set but calmly picked the glass up and refitted it before carrying on.

Britain lacking in qualified success

BRITISH interest in the Wimbledon qualifying competition ended abruptly yesterday with defeats at Roehampton for Colin Beecher, Paul Hand and Neil Broad.

Despite impressive performances earlier in the week, the British trio could not reproduce that form. Hand, a left-hander from Wokingham, Berkshire, in the final qualifying round against Paul Kilderry, of Australia, managed to stretch his match to a deciding set. But he scarcely inspired confidence, especially after a poor sixth game of the decider, which cost him his serve and put him 4-2 down. Kilderry went on to win 6-4, 2-6, 6-3.

Beecher, 22, from Bromley, soon followed him out of the tournament, beaten 6-4, 6-2 by the aggressive Patrick Rafter, another Australian.

The South African-born Broad, who lives in California but is still eligible to play for Britain in Davis Cup matches, never even reached the final qualifying round, despite holding match points against the Canadian No 7 seed, Andrew Sznajder.

Their second-round match was stopped in failing light on Thursday night at 3-3 in the final set. When it resumed, Broad had an excellent chance, leading 5-4 and holding two match points against the Canadian's serve.

But Sznajder easily saved them and won the last 11 points as Broad tumbled to a 7-6, 6-7, 7-5 defeat.

☐ Umpires at Wimbledon will this year receive medals for their efforts.

Traditionally, umpires have never received any trophy or memento for officiating in the men's and women's singles finals.

Yesterday, however, the British Tennis Umpires' Association (BTUA) announced that it has decided to acknowledge the efforts of the officials by presenting a rosewood-boxed inscribed medal to every person who has officiated in one of the two leading singles finals since 1982, the year the BTUA was formed.

These will be presented in an off-court ceremony by the BTUA.

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Lions upset over harsh treatment of Dooley



David Hands says officials and players are united in their condemnation of tours committee

THE British Isles, a happy touring party so far in New Zealand, have been incensed by the insensitive handling by the four home rugby unions of the Wade Dooley affair, which has become a *cause célèbre*.

Geoff Cooke, the Lions manager, is to write a letter of protest on behalf of the squad to Ronnie Dawson, chairman of the tours committee of the four home unions, who is also a former Lions captain and coach.

Cooke is amazed that the extraordinary situation of Dooley, who returned home 12 days ago after the death of his father but intended to return to Auckland this weekend, should not have been recognised.

The New Zealand Rugby Football Union (NZRFU) extended from the outset compassionate grounds on which Dooley could return as a playing member of the party, even though he had already been replaced by Martin Johnson. Now, however, the four home unions have said that it would be contrary to the tour agreement were he to return and play; therefore, the England lock will stay at home.

The English members of the tour party are particularly aggrieved since most of them knew Dooley's father, Geoff. "The whole squad is incensed about it," Cooke said yesterday. "It's an appalling way to treat a person who has done so much for the game. It shows a lack of sensitivity and understanding.

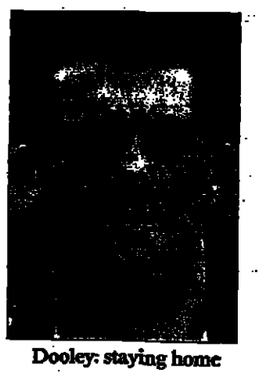
"We are talking about the amateur ethos in our game and if ever there was a case for displaying the amateur ethos, this was it. On the grounds of sheer compassion, he should be allowed to rejoin the party without conditions.

"For our people to raise objections is staggering. It started with the secretary, Bob Weighill, who was very negative in his approach to Wade, raising difficulties about insurance that were nonsensical; on grounds of precedent that is even more illogical and it being outside the tour agreement, which is the rules and regulations bit."

Dawson said on Thursday that there was no room for flexibility and no indication that Dooley was going to return to play. Dawson had been due to arrive in New Zealand earlier today but had changed his plans. "It's probably just as well," Cooke said.

Weighill was expected in time for the match against Auckland. "I'm sure you will find some interesting questions to ask him. You'll probably be the only people who'll speak to him," Cooke told reporters.

Gavin Hastings, the captain, and Peter Winterbottom, who is the only England forward apart from Dooley to have made over 50 appearances for his country, have also criticised the decision.



Dooley: staying home

Hastings said: "It is nonsense and shows no compassion or sensitivity. It totally destroys the ethos that everyone says is great about rugby and has ruined it as far as I am concerned." Winterbottom claimed Dooley was being denied the chance of a international match simply because his father had died. "Back home they don't care whether we win or lose," he said. "If New Zealand were willing to let us have 31 players on tour, then why not?"

Cooke also expressed surprise that Eddie Tonks, who as well as being chairman of the NZRFU council is also chairman of the International Rugby Football Board this year, could apparently be overruled on procedural grounds. It was Tonks who initially offered the chance for Dooley to return, at New Zealand's expense.

There have been many times when British officials have regretted the inability of southern hemisphere colleagues to abide by the rules; standing by the letter of this particular agreement, though, shows them in the straitlaced light that many in Australasia believe to be their usual posture.

It is no wonder that Dooley was upset. "All sorts of obstacles have been put in my way, so I am staying at home," he said. "I would really have loved to have come back and rejoin my colleagues after dealing with my personal bereavement. But I am not going halfway round the world to become a non-player." John Dowling, the deputy chairman of the NZRFU, said: "What a kick in the teeth for a guy who has just lost his dad."

Perversely, it saves the Lions from an embarrassment of riches at second row since Dooley has missed the critical core of the tour. Had he returned, it is difficult to believe he would have played more than one match — against Waikato on Tuesday week — or displayed the form to remove any one of Johnson, Andy Reed or Damian Cronin from international contention.

Nevertheless, he has been denied the chance of winning a first appearance for the Lions in an international against the All Blacks and brought his international career, which began in 1985, to a sad end.

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First-class dedication rules over second-class apathy



David Miller looks on in horror as England and their supporters submit lethargically to the enthusiasm and will to win of Australia

"HERE'S to the old country." "Which old country?" "Any old country." It has been easy to imagine, at Lord's for the past couple of days, toasts of such sublime defeatism around the ground similar to that of Peter Sellers and guest Jack Train at the prime of the Goon Show.

Lord's, full to the brim, has been a picture of somnolent Empire in retirement: quietly awaiting defeat, politely applauding the enemy's embarrassing succession of landmark statistics, comforted only by the solidarity of their club uniform of tangerine and yellow.

They might have been 30,000 Donald Trelfords, happy to believe that all would be well if only David Gower were out there.

An extraordinary lethargy, amounting to resignation, has overtaken the crowd, rather than the team; though the team, for all the captain's pre-match remonstrations, has been less than electric. At the supposed climax of London's sporting summer — as opposed to social events at Ascot and Henley, or at Wimbledon, where Britain has no chance at all — the public clearly no longer has expectation of a victory.

And, moreover, seemingly does not mind. It was not until a 2.45pm on the second day, with 446 for only two wickets on the board, that the first ironic cheer was given when Lewis, a fielder respected worldwide, cleanly fielded a drive. Moments before, the unfortunate fast bowler had dropped Boon, then on 75, at wide mid-on.

At Sydney, Barbados or Calcutta, you suspect, vigorous heckling of a home side that was being spread to all parts of the boundary would have begun long before. An English sense of sportsmanship is one thing. The behaviour at Lord's, I fear, is indicative of a growing acceptance of being second class; but, being decent people, we are not going to protest about it too loudly.

At least not among the well brought up. The mood of protest arising from a sense of inadequacy is more evident on council estates, and among those who frequent our football grounds. Yet how much is the mood of the grandstands reflected in the attitude of the players? Why should Australian cricketers have a greater will to win than Englishmen?

It cannot, on the one hand, be said that England have bowled particularly badly. It has been, up to now, a strange match; strange for its ordinariness, with Australia's total more exceptional than the manner in which they have accumulated the runs. It is a match in which the occasion has been more significant than its content.

Yet why do young Australians, such as Michael Slater, find the flourish that eludes young English players? Why, increasingly, are Australian batsmen more correct than their arch-rivals? There is more to it than the fact that Australians, are still more powerfully motivated by a wish to beat the mother country than vice versa.

What is being witnessed could be in part, of course, the legacy of the decline in school-organised games. It was so conspicuous on the first day that Slater, when well past his century, was still playing the too-infrequent difficult balls with the discipline of the first dozen overs. His straightness, and retention of concentration, was a lesson to any youngster.

No matter what may be said about the absence of influential leadership from Ted Dexter or Keith Fletcher, the success of English cricket ultimately depends on the *ambition* of emerging young players.

That means an ambition to be good, as opposed to successful, which is different. The first must precede the second. Too much of modern English sport, including cricket, has lost willpower, to which there is no easy answer. Slater paid tribute to his coaching, from Warren Smith at Wagga Wagga, from the age of seven to 14, so that "I was strong on technique". The last English batsman to combine orthodox technique, unblemished by one-day play, with absolute willpower, it could be said, was Geoffrey Boycott.

The small consolation, as Australia's total climbed beyond reach, was that when Australia beat England at Lord's by 409 runs in 1948, the bowlers who took the punishment then were Alec Bedser, Coxon, Edrich, Wright, Laker and Yardley. Poor Bedser took five for 512, against Lindwall's eight for 131. This has not been a happy ground for England against their most dedicated rivals. When Australia made 729 for six in 1930 the luckless Allen, later to be involved in the bodyline series, took nought for 115 and the celebrated Tate one for 148.

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Warner and Vandrau delay the inevitable

BY IVO TENNANT

CANTERBURY (second day of four): Derbyshire, with one second-innings wicket in hand, are 22 runs ahead of Kent

AROUND tea time yesterday, Kent's secretary was musing over whether a double-wicket competition should be put on today to give those anticipating a four-day match some compensation for it finishing in two days. At 74 for six, 132 runs behind Kent, Derbyshire were down among the dead men. What followed was the most unlikely of partnerships, sufficient to save face if not, in all probability, the match.

Igglesden, in his first appearance for Kent since overstretching himself on the eve of the first Test between England and Australia, had taken the first three Derbyshire wickets. He appeared, in the process, not only to be fully fit but as good a bowler as Keith Fletcher, the England team manager, had taken him to be. McCague had removed a fourth batsman and Morris, who looked again the insouciant cricketer he is, had been run out by Llong's direct throw from long off.

In their first innings Derbyshire had batted with a distinct lack of resolve. Now, though, Warner partnered Vandrau with every intention of winning the match, let alone saving it. Together they added 87 in 20 overs, the highest partnership by their side over the last two days, and Warner was still lashing out at all-comers by the close of the day's play. He had made 94 off 103 balls, which is a career-best innings. His previous best was 91, scored against Leicestershire in 1986.

Three times he pulled McCague for six, twice off successive balls. That was startling enough for a man whose previous highest score this season was 24, but there were some authentic cover drives as well. He was fortunate in that he came in when the change bowlers were replacing Igglesden and McCague, both of whom have done little bowling of late, but his innings made for as much entertainment as Fleming gave earlier.



Warner: career best

Thus far Kent need 23 runs to win. This will be their third championship victory in four matches, weather permitting. They claimed the extra half hour to no avail but at least there will not be the necessity for any spurious offering this morning.

As well as having the fast bowlers to run through a thin upper order such as this, Kent have the batsmen to give them sufficient quick runs in any form of the game. No matter that Llong added only a single to his overnight 83 and that Taylor was bowled round his legs when 27 short of making more centuries at Canterbury than Frank Woolley or Colin Cowdrey.

This season, Llong's first-class scores have been 116 not out, 18, 108, 27, 4 and now 84. He fits atop Kent's averages and is, by any reckoning, a discovery. Graham Cowdrey cannot regain his place in the side for the time being. Left-handed and having the advantage of a long reach, Llong was quick to drive anything remotely pitched up, not least when Sladdin was on. And that was for too much of the innings.

Fleming was in next, and without even a sighter was putting the ball into cow corner one minute and to the cover boundary more classically the next. This was hitting in the style of the old amateurs, which makes him such fun to watch. Bryan Valentine would have recognised it. Having not scored off his first 18 balls, Fleming struck 50 off the next 60 before top-edging a hook off Base to long leg.

There was a half-century, too, for Marsh, who used his feet to Sladdin to good effect. Base returned and finished off the innings, but at some cost. It only emphasised how arcane Derbyshire's policy of resting Malcolm can appear to those outside the county. It is a measure of how the game has changed that they would rather he stayed fit and fresh for their NatWest match next week and the Benson and Hedges final.

Van Troost puts Middlesex on defensive

BY JACK BAILEY

BATH (second day of four): Middlesex, with eight first-innings wickets in hand, are 294 runs behind Somerset

THE umpires tried: there were frequent inspections. But in the end, no play was possible after lunch. This means that Middlesex have time to regroup after losing two wickets in ten overs for a handful of runs to van Troost and Mallender. If conditions remain similar to those prevailing yesterday morning, considerable fortitude will be required when they set out further to whittle away at Somerset's total of 318.

Andre van Troost and Neil Mallender were a lively proposition on this relaid pitch, always subject to variation of bounce. The tall Dutchman, with a high arm to add to his 6ft 7in, made life especially uncomfortable for Keech and Haynes, causing much ducking and weaving and making batting look an altogether more hazardous business than when Somerset were adding a further 51 runs to their overnight score.

Rose, who had retired hurt on Monday after a blow on the arm, and Mallender made 30 valuable runs apiece, but the buzz round the crowd was reserved for the entry of van Troost, the Somerset last man.

His basic method involves taking a long step towards the leg side and hitting the ball with great velocity to, through or over the off-side field. Even Angus Fraser suffered briefly at his hands. The fastest balls were swatted like flies. But Middlesex had seen it all before. They packed the off-side field and after several punitive sallies had failed, van Troost, forced to attempt a thrust or two on the on side, holed out at long-on.

Van Troost then turned his attention to fast bowling, his stock in trade. Haynes is rarely made to look inelegant, but there were times yesterday when he came precious close to it as the ball sailed past his nose from little short of a length. At the other end, Mallender bowled immaculate line and length, rapped Haynes's knuckles and finally had him caught behind as he felt for a good-length ball.

Keech appeared to have weathered the storm when, shortly before lunch, he tried to counter-attack by hooking, top-edged and was caught off the resultant skyer. Somerset are in a good position and the Bath crowd, disappointed by Lathwell's unfortunate absence and by the weather, may yet have plenty to cheer.

HUGH ROUTLEDGE



Spring in his step: David Boon, the Australian No 3, achieved the ambition of every visiting player by scoring a Test century at Lord's yesterday as Australia piled up 592 for four. Boon, who has twice been dismissed in the nineties in Tests in this country — he made 94 at Lord's in 1989 — was missed by Lewis off the bowling of Such when 75 before going on to reach an unbeaten 138. Report, page 32

Surrey race to two-day victory

BY GEOFFREY WHEELER

SURREY, who might have had a healthy lead in the championship by now given better luck with the weather, underlined the strength of their fast bowling as they completed a two-day victory over Warwickshire at Edgbaston yesterday.

Waqar Younis did the damage on Thursday. Yesterday, Martin Bicknell was destroyer-in-chief, pressing his England claim with six for 50. He has now taken 35 wickets in six games this season.

Warwickshire looked like making a fight of it when they cleared the first-innings arrears of 87 for the loss of Ratcliffe. Then Bicknell got to work and the last nine wickets fell while 67 runs were scored. Surrey, needing 71 to win, lost Lynch and Thorpe to Donald with only a run scored, but were seen home by Darren Bicknell and Alistair Brown.

The Sussex off spinners, Eddie Hemmings, 44, and Bradleigh Donelan, 19 years his junior, shared nine wickets as they bowled Lancashire out for 280 at Old Trafford to gain their side a first-innings lead of 123. Earlier, Wasim Akram had closed the Sussex innings by taking three wickets in four balls.

Peter Hartley made only the second century of his career as the last five Yorkshire wickets produced 248 at the expense at the toiling Gloucestershire bowlers at Sheffield.

After the loss of three early wickets to Roland Lefebevre, Durham rallied to reach 263 at Colwyn Bay, sustained by a partnership of 129 in 46 overs between Larkins and Bainbridge, who were mainly responsible for limiting Glamorgan's lead to 37. Mark Ilott, the Essex night-watchman, made his maiden half-century at Trent Bridge before the declaration at 450 for eight, of which Salim Malik made 121. Nottinghamshire have reached 174 for two in reply.

Ambrose hits an old sore point

BY MICHAEL HENDERSON

NORTHAMPTON (second day of four): Northamptonshire, with nine second-innings wickets standing, are 20 runs ahead of Hampshire

ON THE day he returned his best championship figures for three seasons, Curtly Ambrose, Northamptonshire's Antiguan fast bowler, was also warned for unfair play. Roy Palmer, the umpire, interpreted a full toss that struck Shaun Udal on the left arm as a beamer and no-balled Ambrose who, in accordance with Law 42, was also cautioned.

Neither Ambrose nor Palmer is a stranger to this sort of thing. In 1990, Ambrose was warned on this ground for bowling beamers at Dermot Reeve during the Warwickshire all-rounder's double century. A year later, Palmer ordered Wasim Akram out of the Lancashire attack at Old Trafford for persistent short-pitched bowling . . . at Reeve.

Yesterday's incident was less serious, although Udal may be forgiven for thinking otherwise. His humour was not improved when he was bowled next ball, out for 44, Hampshire's last wicket as they were dismissed for 247. By stumps, when Fordham and Felton had reached half-centuries, it was a batsman's game again.

Only once in his career has Udal made as many runs. Entering at 145 for seven, when Hampshire's lead was 20, he was missed at second slip by Loye before he had got off the mark. It was a costly drop because the last three Hampshire wickets extended the lead by a further 102.

It was no wonder Ambrose was vexed. The Northamptonshire fielding was terribly lax. Connor, who contributed 24 to a ninth-wicket stand of 51, benefited from a howler by Fordham, who failed to pick up a swirling drive to mid-off and some how lost the ball against a far-from-dazzling background.

When Connor went, leg before to Ambrose, he appeared transfixed, as if he suspected a beamer, even though the ball never got above waist height. In Ambrose's next over, Udal was less fortunate and required treatment before carrying on, however briefly. That last wicket to fall was Ambrose's fifth, the first time he has taken so many for the club since the last game of 1990.

If Ambrose had problems putting the ball in the right place consistently, Curran's bowling was plain dim. His ruse — to dig it in at the tail-enders — was treated with scorn and the only wicket he took yesterday arose from a long-hop which Wood, to his rage, smashed straight to cover. Surely there is nothing more desultory in county cricket than watching a medium pacer take four minutes, and more, to bowl an over, as Curran did here, particularly when the results are less than formidable. Could his captain not have told him to gee things up a bit?

Britannic Assurance county championship

Lancashire v Sussex

OLD TRAFFORD *(second day of four): Sussex, with nine second-innings wickets in hand, are 146 runs ahead of Lancashire*

SUSSEX: First Innings

C W J Athey c and b Yates	101
J W Hall b Wasim	53
D M Smith c Barnett b Yates	15
*A P Wells b Yates	0
K Greenfield run out	0
J A North lbw b Yates	23
F D Stephenson c Wasim b Yates	36
†P Moores not out	35
B T P Donelan c Hegg b Wasim	41
A N Jones c Hegg b Wasim	0
E E Hemmings c DeFreitas b Wasim	0
Extras (b 9, lb 12, nb 28)	49
Total (142.1 overs)	403

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-147, 2-172, 3-176, 4-178, 5-218, 6-251, 7-280, 8-403, 9-403.

BOWLING: Wasim Akram 27.1-8-55-4; Martin 18-7-41-0; DeFreitas 23-8-67-0; Barnett 34-8-111-0; Yates 40-8-108-5.

Score after 120 overs: 334-7.

Second Innings

C W J Athey c Fairbrother b Barnett	15
J W Hall not out	6
Extras (nb 2)	2
Total (1 wkt)	23

FALL OF WICKET: 1-23.

BOWLING: DeFreitas 5-0-7-0; Yates 3-0-15-0; Barnett 1.1-0-1-1.

LANCASHIRE: First Innings

G D Mendis c Hall b Donelan	63
S P Titchard c Athey b Donelan	57
N J Speak c North b Hemmings	3
*N H Fairbrother c Wells b Hemmings	0
G D Lloyd b Donelan	47
Wasim Akram c Greenfield b Hemmings	37
P A J DeFreitas c Wells b Hemmings	10
†W K Hegg not out	10
G Yates c North b Donelan	14
P J Martin lbw b Stephenson	7
A A Barnett lbw b Donelan	4
Extras (b 5, lb 1, nb 22)	28
Total (83.3 overs)	280

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-127, 2-138, 3-138, 4-138, 5-215, 6-226, 7-241, 8-268, 9-273.

BOWLING: Stephenson 9-1-28-1; Jones 7-0-35-0; North 3-0-15-0; Hemmings 23-4-86-4; Donelan 21.3-0-112-5.

Bonus points: Lancashire 5, Sussex 7.

Umpires: G I Burgess and B Leadbeater.

Nottinghamshire v Essex

TRENT BRIDGE *(second day of four): Nottinghamshire, with eight first-innings wickets in hand, are 276 runs behind Essex*

ESSEX: First Innings

*P J Prichard c Pollard b Cairns	59
J P Stephenson c Afford b Cairns	97
J J B Lewis c French b Evans	27
Salim Malik c Robinson b Evans	121
N Hussain b Cairns	30
M C Ilott not out	50
N Shahid c French b Evans	8
M A Garnham b Field-Buss	8
D R Pringle c Pollard b Cairns	17
Extras (b 4, lb 9, w 3, nb 10)	26
Total (8 wkts dec, 137 overs)	450

S J W Andrew and J H Childs did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-146, 2-171, 3-245, 4-322, 5-374, 6-400, 7-415, 8-450.

BOWLING: Cairns 39.2-4-88-4; Pick 22-2-95-0; Evans 36-7-102-3; Afford 31-11-72-0; Field-Buss 18-3-80-1.

Score after 120 overs: 387-5.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Innings

P R Pollard c Shahid b Andrew	37
M Saxelby b Ilott	57
*R T Robinson not out	44
P Johnson not out	21
Extras (b 8, w 1, nb 6)	15
Total (2 wkts, 75 overs)	174

C L Cairns, G F Archer, K P Evans, †B N French, R A Pick, M G Field-Buss and J A Afford to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-88, 2-124.

BOWLING: Ilott 17-4-30-1; Andrew 17-3-43-1; Pringle 12-3-34-0; Childs 16-5-27-0; Salim Malik 4-0-21-0; Stephenson 9-2-21-0.

Bonus points: Nottinghamshire 2, Essex 4.

Umpires: H D Bird and B Dudleston.

Northamptonshire v Hampshire

NORTHAMPTON *(second day of four): Northamptonshire, with nine second-innings wickets in hand, are 20 runs ahead of Hampshire*

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings 125 (R J Bailey 59; K J Shine 6 for 62).

Second Innings

A Fordham not out	63
N A Felton c Morris b Udal	64
N G B Cook not out	0
Extras (lb 13, nb 2)	15
Total (1 wkt)	142

FALL OF WICKET: 1-141.

BOWLING: Marshall 10-5-15-0; Shine 12-4-22-0; Connor 7-1-24-0; James 8-2-23-0; Udal 21-4-45-1.

HAMPSHIRE: First Innings

T C Middleton b Curran	9
R S M Morris c Ripley b Ambrose	31
K D James c Loye b Ambrose	22
V P Terry lbw b Taylor	7
*M C J Nicholas c Bailey b Ambrose	24
J R Wood c s ub b Curran	25
†A N Aymes c Lamb b Bailey	31
M D Marshall lbw b Taylor	8
S D Udal b Ambrose	44
C A Connor lbw b Ambrose	24
K J Shine not out	0
Extras (b 2, lb 16, nb 4)	22
Total (111.5 overs)	247

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-24, 2-55, 3-72, 4-99, 5-130, 6-133, 7-145, 8-195, 9-244.

BOWLING: Ambrose 33.5-7-76-5; Taylor 21-7-49-2; Curran 27-8-82-2; Cook 21-7-33-0; Bailey 9-8-9-1.

Bonus points: Northants 4, Hampshire 5.

Umpires: J W Holder and R Palmer.

Glamorgan v Durham

COLWYN BAY *(second day of four): Glamorgan have a first-innings lead of 37 over Durham*

GLAMORGAN: First Innings 300 (A Dale 60, H Morris 52; I T Botham 4 for 11).

DURHAM: First Innings

I T Botham c and b Lefebvre	14
W Larkins c Maynard b Dale	77
P W G Parker lbw b Lefebvre	0
J A Daley b Lefebvre	2
P Bainbridge c James b Croft	71
P J Berry c Barwick b Croft	46
A C Cummins c and b Croft	0
†C W Scott c Richards b Croft	18
J Wood c Metson b Watkin	8
†D A Graveney b Dale	11
S J E Brown not out	0
Extras (b 2, lb 14)	16
Total (128.5 overs)	263

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-19, 2-19, 3-30, 4-159, 5-184, 6-186, 7-212, 8-233, 9-255.

BOWLING: Watkin 24-7-54-1; Barwick 26-12-54-0; Lefebvre 24-7-55-3; Croft 42-11-70-4; Dale 10.5-3-14-2.

Score after 120 overs: 251-8.

Bonus points: Glamorgan 6, Durham 6.

Umpires: R Julian and A G T Whitehead.

Somerset v Middlesex

BATH *(second day of four): Middlesex, with eight first-innings wickets in hand, are 294 runs behind Somerset*

SOMERSET: First Innings

N A Folland c Sims b Williams	54
I Fletcher retired hurt	65
R J Harden b Feltham	16
*C J Tavaré lbw b Feltham	47
A N Hayhurst c Brown b Fraser	17
N D Burns b Keech	30
G D Rose c Carr b Fraser	30
Mushtaq Ahmed lbw b Williams	0
N A Mallender not out	30
J D Kerr c Carr b Williams	0
A P Van Troost c Haynes b Williams	4
Extras (b 3, lb 12, w 1, nb 9)	25
Total (131.1 overs)	318

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-120, 2-150, 3-202, 4-231, 5-254, 6-264, 7-269, 8-296, 9-318.

BOWLING: Williams 28.1-4-71-4; Fraser 33-5-93-2; Feltham 28-7-48-2; Emburey 21-5-45-0; Keech 12-5-17-1; Weekes 9-2-29-0.

Score after 120 overs: 283-7.

MIDDLESEX: First Innings

D L Haynes c Burns b Mallender	13
M Keech c Burns b Van Troost	5
M R Ramprakash not out	6
*J D Carr not out	0
Extras	0
Total (2 wkts, 10 overs)	24

R J Sims, †K R Brown, P N Weekes, M A Feltham, J E Emburey, N F Williams and A R C Fraser to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-16, 2-24.

BOWLING: Mallender 5-0-18-1; Van Troost 5-2-6-1.

Bonus points: Somerset 2, Middlesex 3.

Umpires: B J Meyer and G Sharp.

Warwickshire v Surrey

EDGBASTON *(second day of four): Surrey (20pts) beat Warwickshire (4) by eight wickets*

WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings 88 (Waqar Younis 6 for 43).

Second Innings

A J Moles c Smith b M P Bicknell	42
J D Ratcliffe c Thorpe b Benjamin	27
R G Twose lbw b M P Bicknell	11
D P Ostler lbw b M P Bicknell	34
T L Penney lbw b Waqar	2
*D A Reeve b Waqar	3
†M Burns c Kersey b M P Bicknell	17
N M K Smith lbw b Benjamin	0
G C Small c Ward b M P Bicknell	2
A A Donald not out	4
T A Munton c Kersey b M P Bicknell	0
Extras (b 1, lb 7, w 1, nb 6)	15
Total	157

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-82, 2-90, 3-91, 4-102, 5-112, 6-143, 7-144, 8-149, 9-153.

BOWLING: Waqar Younis 15-3-32-2; M P Bicknell 22.4-5-50-6; Benjamin 20-8-36-2; Kendrick 11-2-31-0.

SURREY: First Innings

D J Bicknell lbw b Donald	5
*M A Lynch c Ostler b Small	1
G P Thorpe c Burns b Reeve	18
A D Brown b Small	10
D M Ward c Ratcliffe b Small	0
A W Smith lbw b Small	18
†G J Kersey lbw b Reeve	0
M P Bicknell b Smith	37
N M Kendrick not out	31
Waqar Younis c Penney b Smith	9
J E Benjamin c Burns b Munton	23
Extras (b 10, lb 4, nb 14)	28
Total (86 overs)	175

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-6, 2-8, 3-23, 4-31, 5-44, 6-44, 7-82, 8-114, 9-128.

BOWLING: Donald 20.3-6-56-1; Small 15-5-39-4; Munton 21.3-7-54-1; Reeve 4-4-0-2; Twose 1-1-0-0; Smith 4-1-12-2.

Second Innings

D J Bicknell not out	17
*M A Lynch c Small b Donald	0
G P Thorpe b Donald	0
A D Brown not out	42
Extras (b 9, nb 3)	12
Total (2 wkts)	71

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-1, 2-1.

BOWLING: Donald 6-1-11-2; Small 6-3-7-0; Smith 5.2-1-30-0; Munton 5-2-14-0.

Umpires: J H Harris and P Willey.

Yorkshire v Gloucestershire

SHEFFIELD *(second day of four): Gloucestershire, with nine first-innings wickets in hand, are 340 runs behind Yorkshire*

YORKSHIRE: First Innings

*M D Moxon lbw b Wight	23
A A Metcalfe c Hancock b Cooper	68
R B Richardson st Russell b Wight	54
D Byas lbw b Cooper	1
†R J Blakey b Walsh	28
C White b Cooper	53
P W Jarvis lbw b Davies	76
P J Hartley lbw b Wight	102
R D Stemp c Russell b Cooper	20
J D Batty b Cooper	3
M A Robinson not out	2
Extras (b 2, lb 5, w 3, nb 10)	20
Total (158.4 overs)	445

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-42, 2-148, 3-150, 4-164, 5-197, 6-253, 7-374, 8-425, 9-441.

BOWLING: Walsh 34-7-87-1; Cooper 40-11-83-5; Wight 27.4-8-71-3; De la Pena 14-1-78-0; Davies 38-13-95-1; Alleyne 5-2-23-0.

Score after 120 overs: 304-6.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Innings

B C Broad c Richardson b Jarvis	6
G D Hodgson not out	45
*M W Alleyne not out	48
Extras (lb 3, nb 6)	9
Total (1 wkt, 62 overs)	105

A J Wright, T H C Hancock, †R C Russell, J M De la Pena, R M Wight, M Davies, C A Walsh and K E Cooper to bat.

FALL OF WICKET: 1-6.

BOWLING: Jarvis 13-5-25-1; Robinson 12-4-27-0; Hartley 8-2-17-0; Batty 17-8-12-0; Stemp 11-3-12-0; White 3-0-9-0.

Bonus points: Yorks 3, Gloucestershire 2.

Umpires: D J Constant and R A White.

Kent v Derbyshire

CANTERBURY *(second day of four): Derbyshire, with one second-innings wicket in hand, are 22 runs ahead of Kent*

DERBYSHIRE: First Innings 135 (J E Morris 57; M J McCague 6 for 34, A P Igglesden 4 for 28).

Second Innings

*K J Barnett c Fleming b Igglesden	17
P D Bowler c Marsh b Igglesden	9
J E Morris run out	24
G J Adams lbw b Igglesden	5
T J G O'Gorman c Igglesden b Fleming	12
M J Vandrau b Fleming	30
†B J M Maher lbw b McCague	2
A E Warner not out	94
S J Base c McCague b Igglesden	7
R W Sladdin c Llong b Davis	8
O H Mortensen not out	2
Extras (b 4, lb 5, nb 8)	17
Total (9 wkts)	228

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-21, 2-42, 3-54, 4-69, 5-70, 6-74, 7-161, 8-192, 9-216.

BOWLING: McCague 19-3-66-1; Igglesden 18-3-51-4; Fleming 11-3-28-2; Ealham 7-3-28-0; Davis 9-3-14-1; Hooper 5-2-12-0.

KENT: First Innings

T R Ward c Barnett b Warner	0
*M R Benson lbw b Mortensen	0
N R Taylor b Sladdin	73
C L Hooper lbw b Base	34
N J Llong c Adams b Mortensen	84
M V Fleming c Morris b Base	33
S A Marsh c Warner b Base	51
M A Ealham c Vandrau b Base	9
R P Davis c O'Gorman b Base	5
M J McCague c Morris b Sladdin	1
A P Igglesden not out	0
Extras (b 2, lb 7, nb 22)	31
Total (103.5 overs)	341

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-0, 3-60, 4-201, 5-240, 6-316, 7-332, 8-335, 9-338.

Bowling: Warner 20-4-57-1; Mortensen 20-5-48-2; Base 23.5-3-93-5; Sladdin 29-5-114-2; Adams 7-2-19-0; Vandrau 4-3-1-0.

Bonus points: Kent 7, Derbyshire 4.

Umpires: K E Palmer and N T Plews.

Other match

Worcestershire v Oxford University

WORCESTER *(first day of three; Worcestershire won toss): Worcestershire have scored 303 for six wickets against Oxford University*

WORCESTERSHIRE: First Innings

*T S Curtis run out	31
W P C Weston c Yeabsley b Malik	113
A C H Seymour c Lyons b MacDonald	20
G R Haynes c Lyons b Jah	46
D B D'Oliveira c Lovell b Jah	9
D A Leatherdale not out	17
S R Lampitt st Lyons b Trimby	22
R K Illingworth not out	0
Extras (b 2, lb 9, w 3, nb 28)	42
Total (6 wkts)	303

N V Radford, †T Edwards and C M Tolley to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS. 1-68, 2-115, 3-220, 4-243, 5-254, 6-301.

BOWLING: Jah 23-0-68-2; Gellan 13-5-29-0; Yeabsley 18-3-53-0; MacDonald 13-5-17-1; Trimby 16-5-48-1; Malik 12-3-52-1.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY: *J E R Gellan, R R Montgomerie, C M Gupte, R H MacDonald, C L Keay, G B T Lovell, H Malik, M Jah, R Yeabsley, †C W J Lyons, P Trimby.

Umpires: J H Hampshire and A Clarkson.

RAPID CRICKETLINE CHAMPIONSHIP: Chelmsford: Essex 218 (M Dwan 65; N S De Silva 5 for 43) and 88 for 4 dec (K T Medlycott 54 not out); Leicestershire 21 for no wkt dec and 265 (L Potter 72, P E Robinson 58). Essex won by 20 runs. Bristol: Gloucestershire 349 for 6 dec (R J Cunliffe 87, R C J Williams 53 not out, R I Dawson 50) and second innings forfeited; Northamptonshire 23 for 1 dec and 132 for 4. Match drawn. The Oval: Warwickshire 312 for 6 dec (*P A Smith 86, P L Holloway 77) and second innings forfeited; Surrey first innings forfeited and 137 (D Alleyne 4 for 30). Warwickshire won by 175 runs. Uxbridge (RAF Vine Lane): Middlesex 329 for no wkt dec (J C Pooley 203 not out, J C Harrison 102 not out) and 82 for 1 dec; Glamorgan 150 for 2 dec (A J Dalton 53 not out) and 249 for 5 (J R A Williams 93, J Bishop 53; K P Dutch 5 for 101). Match drawn. Shildon: Durham 302 for 9 dec (S Hutton 87, S M McEwan 68 not out) and 196 for 5 dec (I Smith 71, N J Trainor 51 not out); Nottinghamshire 172 (J R Wileman 73) and 192 (G W Mike 50; M P Briers 4 for 56). Durham won by 134 runs. No play yesterday: Southampton: Hampshire 354 for 8 dec; Kent 14-0. Match abandoned.

MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP: Weymouth: Dorset 77 (N Husbands 4-13) and 148 for 3; Herefordshire 185 for 8 dec (A J Kolicheran 72, R Barlow 56, S R Walbridge 4 for 51). Match drawn.

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Boon's century inspires tourists to commanding total at Lord's

England mauled by Australia

By Alan Lee
Cricket Correspondent

LORD'S (second day of five): Australia have scored 592 for four wickets against England.

LORD'S was England's twilight zone yesterday, meteorologically and metaphorically. The sun, which scowled all day behind brooding cloud, may rapidly be going down on an England team which is forfeiting its Ashes ambitions irretrievably with each passing session of this infant Cornhill series.

Australia batted through the second day of the second Test as serenely as they had the first. England, having taken two wickets on Thursday, managed the same again yesterday and, with the Australian top three all completing centuries, Mark Waugh and Allan Border can almost be put down as failures for making only 99 and 77 respectively. So it has come to this.

Only once, in the 30 Tests between the two countries on this ground, has either side scored more than Australia's overnight 592 for four and, if Allan Border was so inclined, he could assuredly eclipse the Bradman-inspired 1930 total of 729 for six before declaring.

Sadly for England, he is unlikely to be as charitable. Almost the only consolation of their wretched day in the field was that the failing evening light dispelled the prospect of fresh Australian bowlers being unleashed on a footsore and demoralised side before the close, and Border is sure to declare early this morning, despite the loss of his main fast bowler.

"They might have been 30,000 Donald Trelfords, happy to believe that all would be well if only David Gower were out there." David Miller on the triumph of Australian dedication over English apathy at Lord's ..... Page 31

HUGH ROUTLEDGE



Rare English success: Stewart, the England wicketkeeper, delights at the fortuitous dismissal of Mark Waugh for 99 at Lord's yesterday

If ever David Boon was to make his first Test century in England, this had to be the day and, sure enough, despite a fretful afternoon, the moment arrived half-an-hour after tea. This is his 21st Test innings in this country, an unconscionable wait for a player of such ability, and the release of tension in him was obvious.

Boon's batting is a monument to tenacity. Mark Waugh's is a demonstration of enviable natural skills, occasionally flawed early in his innings but otherwise subject, more than any other threat, to the daring of a man to whom it all comes so easily. His were the strokes of the day, but his, too, looked likely for some while to be the only wicket, bowled off his pads by Philip Tufnell during a deserving spell, either side of tea, in which he displayed not only more control than of late, but more character.

Removing Waugh, however, had its downside for England. Border himself arrived to bat, as ever, in the style his team most needed. He played his shots selflessly, often thrillingly, yet the determination to take a personal moment from his fifth and last Test on this ground was plain. Few in the full-house crowd begrudged him that and, when his vibrant 77 ended in self-destruction just a few minutes from the close, the ground rose to acclaim a fine innings from a truly great cricketer.

There were precious few crumbs of comfort on England's plate last night. Their bowling could not be castigated, for it was never less than competitive and, during the middle session of the day, quite challenging. But the need for bowlers who are capable of penetration on good batting pitches is now embarrassing in its urgency. As things stand, England's only hope of winning a Test match is by taking their chances on a pitch loaded in favour of the bowlers.

The first session yesterday hinted darkly that this pitch might change character. The odd ball from Caddick and Foster lifted sharply and Such obtained enough turn and bounce to exaggerate the visions of what Warne may achieve. But it soon passed. Lewis was lively but benevolent, serving up far too much that could comfortably be put away for four in conditions where the bowlers' margin for errors in length and line was slim. By lunch, 105 had been added and the third-wicket pair were still together.

Indignity now seemed likely to be piled on indignity, but, to their credit, England checked the Australian charge. At 400 for two, it was a little late to be producing the best bowling of the innings, but take nothing away from Tufnell and Such for that. Between them, they becalmed and frustrated Boon, who spent an hour scoring only ten, and drained the fluency from Waugh even as he closed in on an apparently inevitable century.

Waugh had 93 when he swept at Tufnell and the ball looped off the top edge, not quite carrying to short fine-leg. Tufnell turned away and bent, hands on knees in silent but graphic meditation. Two overs later, he had his reward. Bowling over the wicket outside leg-stump, he tangled up Waugh as he aimed to push the single he needed, and the ball took the right pad before flicking the off bail.

Never in the game's history have the top four in a Test innings all reached 100. On that ball, a remarkable statistic perished, though, in truth, it should have been banished three overs earlier when the restless Boon twice tried to pummel Such through mid-wicket. Once he escaped in a flurry of bat-edge and boot. The second time, he chipped a comfortable chance to wide mid-on, where Lewis, maybe losing the flight of the ball against the crowd, barely laid a hand on it. Boon was on 75 then and did not give another chance until he had made 132.

Again it went to Lewis, but this time perhaps only he would even have got a hand to a fierce square cut off Foster. Boon's tour average stands at a healthy 97, narrowly ahead of his overnight partner, Steve Waugh's, 92. Waugh has not scored and he might have become the blot on the scorecard through a leg-before shout from the final ball of the day. For England, this week, such things are not meant to be.

☐ Craig McDermott was ruled out of the Test last night after undergoing emergency surgery for suspected appendicitis. McDermott, 28, who had been complaining of stomach pains for several days, was rushed to the London Clinic in a taxi after tea. Des Rundle, the tour manager, said: "He was bent double and in severe pain, perspiring and in pretty bad shape. We can only hope it's not too serious. We don't know how bad it is, but he will definitely take no further part in this game." A spokeswoman for the clinic said: "Mr McDermott has asked for no comment to be made on his condition."

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Australia won toss

AUSTRALIA: First Innings

		6s	4s	Min	Ball
M A Taylor st Stewart b Tufnell ..... *jumping down the pitch to drive*	111	1	10	323	245
M J Slater c sub (B F Smith) b Lewis *low drive to mid-wicket*	152	-	18	293	263
D C Boon not out	138	-	12	427	349
M E Waugh b Tufnell ..... *deflected off pad playing forcing shot*	99	1	8	222	162
†A R Border b Lewis ..... *inside edge on to middle stump*	77	-	12	164	121
S R Waugh not out	0	-	-	7	4
Extras (lb 1, w 1, nb 13)	15				
Total (4 wkts, 722min, 167 overs)	592				

†I A Healy, T B A May, M G Hughes, S K Warne and C J McDermott to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-280 (Taylor 100), 2-277 (Boon 2), 3-462 (Boon 77), 4-591 (Boon 137).

BOWLING: Caddick 34-6-109-0 (nb 5) (8-1-23-0, 5-1-15-0, 5-0-22-0, 9-3-18-0, 6-0-30-0, 1-0-1-0); Foster 30-4-84-0 (7-0-27-0, 4-2-12-0, 6-2-18-0, 2-0-2-0, 5-0-21-0, 6-0-14-0); Such 36-8-90-0 (4-1-5-0, 6-0-17-0, 4-0-9-0, 20-5-48-0, 2-0-11-0); Tufnell 39-3-129-2 (nb 6) (4-0-21-0, 7-1-35-0, 4-1-9-1, 8-1-23-0, 16-0-41-1); Lewis 31-4-122-2 (nb 11) (8-1-33-0, 7-0-34-1, 7-2-27-0, 7-1-28-0, 2-0-12-1); Gooch 9-1-28-0 (w 1) (6-1-15-0, 3-0-11-0); Hick 8-3-21-0 (2-2-0-0, 2-1-3-0, 4-0-18-0).

INTERMEDIATE SCORES: First day: 50: 65min, 14.4 overs; 100: 111min, 29.5 overs. Lunch: 101-0 (Taylor 36, Slater 63), 33 overs. 150: 176min, 48 overs; 200: 222min, 60.4 overs. Tea: 212-0 (Taylor 86, Slater 120), 67 overs. 250: 282min, 75.5 overs. New ball taken after 85.3 overs at 289-2. Second day: 300: 379min, 98.3 overs; 350: 427min, 110.2 overs. Lunch: 397-2 (Boon 55, M Waugh 99), 127 overs. 400: 498min, 128.5 overs; 450: 543min, 146.5 overs. Tea: 462-3 (Boon 89, Border 28), 160 overs. 500: 617min, 163.4 overs. Rain stopped play 547-3 (Boon 118, Border 52), 174 overs. New ball taken at 547-3 after 174.1 overs. 550: 669min, 175.2 overs.

Boon: 50: 179min, 150 balls, 6 fours; 100: 337min, 284 balls, 10 fours. M Waugh: 50: 117min, 81 balls, 6 fours. Border: 50: 110min, 87 balls, 8 fours.

ENGLAND: *G A Gooch, M A Atherton, M W Gatting, R A Smith, G A Hick, †A J Stewart, C C Lewis, N A Foster, A R Caddick, P M Such, P C R Tufnell.

PREVIOUS RESULT: First Test (Old Trafford): Australia won by 179 runs.

MATCHES TO COME: Third Test: Trent Bridge, July 1-6. Fourth Test: Headingley, July 22-26. Fifth Test: Edgbaston, August 5-9. Sixth Test: The Oval, August 19-23.

Umpires: M J Kitchen and D J Shepherd.
Replay umpire: J C Balderstone.

Sampras suffers shoulder injury scare

By Alix Ramsay

SERIOUS doubts over the fitness of Pete Sampras, the No 1 men's singles seed for Wimbledon, emerged yesterday two days before the start of the championships.

Sampras was due to play in an exhibition tournament at the Roehampton club but withdrew before the event started on Wednesday and yesterday had treatment on an injured shoulder. Yesterday, he was trying to keep a low profile and when asked if he would be fit for Wimbledon all he would say is: "I don't know yet."

The ATP trainer admitted that Sampras had been to see him saying: "Pete's been in for treatment but if he doesn't want to discuss it, I won't. It's confidential."

However, Sampras was seen in the treatment room at the Wimbledon qualifying tournament having intensive physiotherapy on his shoulder and was said to have asked for the results of some MRI (Magnetic Resonance Imaging) tests.

The tests are diagnostics aids producing a computer image of bone, nerve, ligament and muscle tissue. The tests are not usually done as just a precautionary measure but are used to track down hidden problems that will not show up on an x-ray.

The Wimbledon referee, Alan Mills, was aware of the problem and had already received a request from Sampras to delay the start of his fifth challenge for the title. "He has requested a Tuesday start and I'm sure we will grant it," Mills said.

If Sampras pulls out of the championships it would leave Wimbledon without a No 1 seed. His place in the draw would be taken by Henrik Holm, of Sweden, while a lucky loser from the qualifying competition would move up to take Holm's place.

The injury scare is another chapter in Sampras's chequered career. After launching himself into the top flight by winning the US Open in 1990, he spent much of the summer suffering from shin splints. Now, he has until 6pm tomorrow to decide whether he can compete this year.

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Taylor dabbles with his England line-up

From Rob Hughes
Football Correspondent
in Detroit

WITH total contrast, England and Germany set out their priorities for today's match in the Pontiac Silverdome. Graham Taylor, England's manager, is opting, again, for experimentation. Berti Vogts, the manager of Germany, makes no bones about it: he is out to win this tournament.

For that reason Vogts has refused to announce his line-up until just before the kick-off. Taylor, meanwhile, said: "The purpose of coming out here was to give as many squad players experience in the conditions they will meet a year from now."

The problem with that theory is that, by tampering with continuity, Taylor jeopardises the task of regaining confidence before England's next match, the World Cup qualifier against Poland on September 8. If they lose that, England will go nowhere.

However, once again, England revert to a new formation, Taylor naming a 3-5-2 side with Andy Sinton and Lee Sharpe operating as "wing-backs". Taylor surprised some by saying that Sharpe has been one of the better players here, but surprised no one by adding that Sinton "never let anyone down wherever he's been asked to play". One wonders why, with such reliability, Sinton has been excluded so often.

There will be no specific marking duties for the three defenders, a strange idea given that where this formation works, it uses a sweeper. To leave Karl-Heinz Riedle and Jürgen Klinsmann free to run may be inviting trouble.

Similarly, Taylor is experimenting in attack. He drops Nigel Clough back into midfield and pairs John Barnes and Paul Merson up front, "holding up the ball". That is yet another opportunity for Barnes, and a rare one for Merson. We wait to see how the latest experiment gels.

ENGLAND: N Martyn (Crystal Palace); G Barrett (Aston Villa), G Pallister (Manchester United), D Walker (Sampdoria), A Sinton (QPR), D Platt (Juventus), N Clough (Liverpool), P Ince (Manchester United), L Sharpe (Manchester United), P Merson (Arsenal), J Barnes (Liverpool).

GERMANY: (probable) A Kopke; T Helmer, C Woems, G Buchwald; S Effenberg, M Schulz, L Matthaus, A Moller or U Bein, M Sammer, C Ziege, J Klinsmann, K-H Riedle.

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Americans catch on to cup fever

Chicago

ALL America has been swept up by soccer fever as the US Cup '93 takes wing. Actually, this is a lie. All they really care about here, or anywhere else in the States for that matter, is the basketball championships and, after that, baseball. But rather to my surprise, the tournament has attracted mild interest.

The ABC network put the US-Germany game out live last weekend and got a not totally unsympathetic reaction. Randy Martzke's influential column on televised sport in the *USA Today* newspaper said, wonderingly, that "the coverage ... with no commercial interruptions showed that the '94 World Cup could be a surprisingly good TV attraction".

There are probably more than a billion people in the world already aware of this but, in the States, this is news. Mild interest is a distinct step forward as we — well, the Welsh and Irish, anyway — move towards the all-American World Cup.

Making it last

The National Basketball Association (NBA) championships have been a feast for conspiracy theorists. When you play best-of-seven, stopping as soon as one team has reached four, you don't have to be John Maynard Keynes to work out that the more games that get played, the better it is for the NBA, NBC and all the advertisers and corporate types. A 4-0 win for the Chicago Bulls would have been bad business. In game three — won against the odds by the Phoenix Suns — the Suns had 31 free throws and the Bulls just nine. "If I were a cynic, I'd figure something as slick and successful as the NBA has to be orchestrated," Steve Rosenbloom, of the *Chicago Sun-Times*, wrote, adding cynically: "Good job I'm not a cynic."

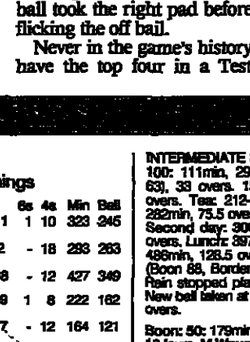


Simon Barnes
Sporting Diary

Hero of the week is Andrew Flintoff, of St Anne's Cricket Club under-15s. He was taking part in a match against Fulwood and Broughton in the zonal stage of the National Cricket Association under-15 competition, which is played on a 20-overs-a-side basis. St Anne's made 319 for nought in their 20. I would like to send special greetings to David Fielding, who made 66. Flintoff made 234, hitting 20 sixes and 20 fours as they rattled along at just under 16 an over. I don't suppose he is free for next Test?

New wave

It had to happen. In October, the Association of Surfing Professionals (ASP) will be holding a tournament in Vietnam. "It's not going to be easy," Graham Stapelberg, a spokesman for the ASP, said. "Getting visas and all that will be a nightmare." There will be $60,000 in prize-money and the competition will be held at China Beach, an historic R and R spot for American troops.



Family feud

Jackie Joyner-Kersee, the American track and field athlete, has fallen out with her coach. She wants to double up at the world championships by doing heptathlon and long jump; her coach wants her to do the heptathlon only. "I hope he can see I need to long jump," Joyner-Kersee said. "She is either going to listen to me or fire me," her coach said. "She is going to do what I want her to do and there's no ifs, ands or buts." Her coach, Bobby Kersee, is also her husband.

Name the blob

Shock, horror: the ghastly mascot for the 1996 Atlanta Olympics has been made even more ghastly. The thing is a sort of controlled blue spludge, rather like an ink-blot test with eyes on it. It is at present called Whatizit but there is a national competition for children to find a more appropriate name. "Our focus group of kids say he should have a personal name," Bob Hollander, the Atlanta Games vice-president for merchandising, said. Several come to mind instantly, it must be said. The spludge has been "improved" with more prominent biceps and little creases in its horrible smile. These give it a faintly cynical expression, which I suppose is not altogether inappropriate. They reckon up to 50 per cent of "Olympic merchandise" could be tied to the horrible thing.

Lucrative loss

Apparently massive sporting exposure cannot fail, lose or lose. Reebok built an international Olympic campaign around a number of big names; one of them was the decathlete, Dan O'Brien. No doubt boggled by all the attention, O'Brien blew out in the trials. This made a hilarious story and all us smart Alec writer-types adored it. But Reebok won in the end: a survey by a firm called Performance Research has said that all the publicity about the O'Brien blow-out "helped quadruple consumer awareness of Reebok ads during the Games".

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Wimbledon's winning sidelines

Hilary Kingsley and Louisa Young on the seeds of enterprise that sprout out of court at the tournament



ALPHAREX

Temporary residents: from left, top players Steffi Graf, Ivan Lendl (with daughter Marika) and Gabriela Sabatini, seen here off-duty in Wimbledon, all prefer renting houses locally to staying in hotels

The ancient Romans knew that you could not throw a good circus without bread to keep the people happy. If you did not provide bread (and chariot parks, and places for the gladiators to stay), then some local entrepreneur would.

Here are last years official statistics for provision of bread at the circus that is Wimbledon: 23 tons of strawberries at £1.65 for half a dozen; 12 tons of salmon; 80,000 half-pints of Pimms; 12,500 bottles of champagne. Clearly it is a nice little earner for the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, which stages the championship.

Here are the unofficial Wimbledon statistics for this year: stay in my house, £1,000-£4,000 a week; be corporately hospitable in my elegant Georgian reception room, "several thousand for the week"; park in my grounds, £6; buy your crisps and soft drinks in my drive (at 100 per cent mark-up, profits to the Scout hut or the RNLI). For a fortnight the alternative economy flourishes in Wimbledon.

The biggest asset in this micro-economy is a house you can let to a tennis player. At the US Open, the players stay in standard purpose-built accommodation at the complex in Flushing Meadow, New York, tucked under the flight path of La Guardia Airport. At Wimbledon, they get all the choice that a nice prosperous London suburb can offer (plus cute little shops, a common, pubs and restaurants, and a riding school).

Martina Navratilova chose the same street for years. She likes to have two bases, one for herself and her partner, and one for her entourage of coach, secretary, friends and family. She rents a bicycle for £15 a week from the Smith Brothers' Cycle Shop in Church Road, and rides to the courts. Ivan Leadl takes a splendid old house with a view, close to the golf course, where he likes to play. This is big enough to accommodate his wife, child, nanny, manager, coach, dietitian and racket stringer.

What all the tennis stars have in common is a need for privacy and security, particularly after Monica Seles was attacked with a knife recently in Germany. So why don't they stay in hotels, with room service and security guards?

"I can sum it up in one word," says Sheila Shipley. "Traffic." Ms Shipley runs an agency called Tennis London, founded five years ago to find places for players and tennis company executives to stay during the tournament. "If a player stays in a hotel, it's not only impersonal, it's also inconvenient. The last thing he or she wants is to have to travel for up to an hour to the courts each day, even if a courtesy car is provided."

Also, it is cheaper for the players to rent somebody's house. Ms Shipley does not like to say how much residents can make, but depending on the desirability of the residence, it can be between £1,000 and £4,000 a week. This is plenty to the owners, but compared with the price of a smart hotel, it is not that much for the tenants. Even Wimbledon's smart Cannizaro House Hotel costs £320 a night for a suite during the tournament, and special lunch is £56 a throw. Taking into account all the secretaries and racket stringers and the fact that the dietitian might not approve of the menu, it is not surprising that Ms Shipley will be providing more than 150 residences in and around Wimbledon this year.

While the athletes and their cronies are making themselves at home, the ousted residents stay with friends or family, or go on holiday. One family went to Boris Becker's place in Monte Carlo while he took over their SW19 four-bed semi.

The supporting cast need places to stay, too. Linesmen, umpires, aspiring junior players and fans from far away are happy to stay in people's spare rooms at £25 a night, less agency fee. Jane Scoon used to let out her spare room, then took over from someone who was acting as agent for six houses.

"I have 35 now. I simply need homes that are clean and friendly. Children love having players to stay and follow their progress."

Some families move out just for a day or evening, so that their gardens and living rooms can be used for parties by corporate hospitality agencies. Chas Wheeler has run such an agency for 13 years. His clients are multinational companies (Mercedes is one, BT, ICI and Ford among others), and they like to lay on champagne, a lavish lunch, debenture seats (ie, the best) at the match, strawberry teas and stretch limousines for as many as 50 guests. If the match is the Men's Final, it can cost up to £1,230 a guest.

> While the athletes make themselves at home, the ousted residents go on holiday

"Other sporting events offer marquee hospitality," says Mr Wheeler, "but a stylish period house adds a touch of class." The houses' owners get a small percentage of the cost which, if you make your house available for a week, can add up to several thousand pounds, and the chance to peer out of top-floor windows at well dressed tennis people having fun in your garden.

For those who prefer to keep their houses to themselves, there are other ways of joining in. Drive you to the courts in the morning? Certainly: a fiver a trip. Clean the house? A fiver an hour. One woman has moved her whole family into her husband's company flat for the duration while a friend, Polly Scott, cleans and cooks for the tennis-wear executives who have moved in. "They do actually work hard," she says. "Meetings over breakfast, lunches, lots of phoning and report writing."

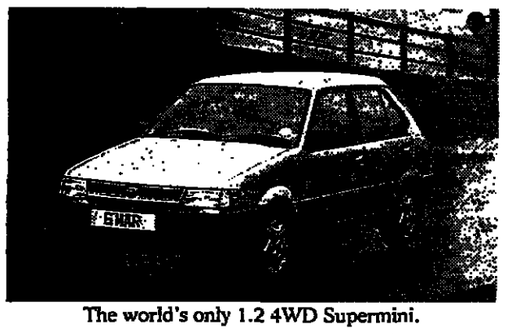
Students make up a large proportion of the catering staff hired by the AELTCC. They make about £4 an hour, which is not bad if you do not mind wearing a uniform and being polite. The local newsagent, Sutherlands, also hires students to sell papers to crowds waiting at dawn to buy tickets.

Delicatessens produce hampers, and restaurants lay on special meals. Marco Yu, owner of the Bayee Village Chinese restaurant next door to the Dog and Duck, is working on a dish of soft-shell crab, chilli, peppers and garlic. "They like very healthy things usually," he says. Tim Mayotte likes vegetarian food, Billy Jean King (here as a commentator) likes steamed vegetables and mineral water, Navratilova takes fish. Michael Chang, Pat Cash, Steffi Graf, Pam Shriver, Jennifer Capriati — they all eat here, or come here for their takeaways.

The vicar, too, joins the money-making, albeit for charity. Andrew Studdert-Kennedy is curator of St Mary's, the Victorian spire of which can be seen at the end of every Wimbledon telecast. Since the 1970s, he has helped to arrange the sale on the church field of cakes and sandwiches made by members of the congregation. Visitors can also park on the field for £6 — less than the cheapest of the various official fees. Last year the church raised £16,000.

The church is undercut by some whom you might have expected to be the least commercially minded people in SW19, the Thai monks of the Buddhapadipa temple in Calonne Road. Last year they opened their four acres of grounds to car parkers at a mere £5 a time. The golf course charges £12 a day. The owners of front drives let their offspring sell crisps and drinks there, an put up makeshift parking signs. This is good news for the ticket touts who have been so universally banned that now the only way they can operate is to rent a driveway and work from the car with a mobile phone.

So is anything in Wimbledon sacrosanct? The cricket club may make the bar and grounds available to corporate entertainers — but still turned down the AELTCC's offer of £7 million to buy its site.



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Much too tense to moan about hormones

WEEKEND VOICE: Mary Killen



"How are you?" I asked a girlfriend on the telephone this week. "PMT-ing really badly, I'm afraid."

"All right, well, I'll hang up then. X is as well, by the way."

"Is she? That's because we work in the same office. Everyone in Y's village gets it at the same time too."

"Yes, it's like everything in the garden eventually becoming purple, even if it starts off as pink or blue."

After this far-fetched analogy, we suspend the telephone call until such time as my friend feels less like snapping my head off.

PMT is an abbreviation which now appears on my own lips with at least lunar regularity: It is not something I remember talking that much about or indeed suffering from in my immediate past, yet these days it seems to be a subject jostling its way to the front of many conversational queues.

Perhaps recent publicity has inspired PMT's sudden ubiquity, or at least acceptability as a conversational topic, just as it did with the new false memory syndrome and the now forgotten bogus social worker syndrome. Having read about a certain phenomenon that had previously defied the imagination, people started thinking it had happened to them, too. But despite recent claims from a study in America that premenstrual tension is a condition without basis in medical fact, I can think of few of my girl or women friends who have not recently declared themselves to be suffering from PMT as they apologised for uncharacteristic bursts of vituperation or self-pity. To confide that one has PMT can even be viewed as a gesture of friendship between women of slight acquaintance.

One friend calls her condition "PMV — premenstrual violence". She described a typical example of PMV the other day. "I was fast-forwarding a video and, when I got to the place where I wanted it to stop, the button didn't work and it went whizzing on."

Her boyfriend said: "Hey! Press the stop button!" But instead of handing the remote control to him and saying, "You try", she threw it at him viciously and burst *into* tears. "I *just* said: 'When are you going to stop trying to undermine my confidence? It's just so destructive of you, and so draining on me!'"

I was recently the uncomfortable witness of a classic example of it in someone else. I went to a point-to-point meeting with a couple who live near me and their three daughters. The wife went off to place a bet, and her husband, left in control of the three under-sixes, commented pleasantly: "Laura always wanders off at point-to-points, and we can't find her for hours."

Some time later, after swimming through the sea of faces until almost hypnotised, we saw Laura.

"I told Mary you always wandered off at point-to-*points*," *said* Rupert amiably.

Laura's face darkened in fury. "I do *not*," she growled. "I have never done that in my life. What are you talking about? You must be completely mad. You literally must have gone mad to have said that."

"Oh God, you've got PMT, haven't you?" said Rupert. "OK, forget I spoke."

"I certainly will not. You apologise. How dare you accuse me of always wandering off? Right, that's the last time I go anywhere with you." "Just cool it, Laura, you've got PMT."

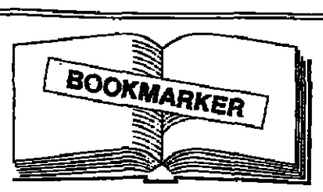
"It's nothing to do with PMT. You say that once more and I'm going home without you. I've got the car keys, you know."

The other day I saw my husband wielding some scissors — not for his usual maddening motive, which is to use them as secateurs and then leave them in the garden to rust, but to cut out a story from the court proceedings section of the paper. "Man lived in fear of PMT wife" was the headline. He was going to post it to his friend, whose wife literally does jump out from behind doors and club him on the head shouting, "Push your hair back!" or "That'll teach you to put the butter in the fridge so that it's too hard to eat!"

We both chuckled but, in the end, decided not to send it. What if she opened the letter or saw the cutting while she had PMT? Why, it might put his life at risk.

If there's one thing worse than PMT, it's the person with whom you are domestically affiliated saying, "Oh dear, you've got PMT." Even if you know at the back of your mind that you are over-reacting because of hormonal surges, your motive *in* over-reacting is to express the acute misery you feel. You don't want it *just written off as a transient* thing, a causative, and linked to hormones.

"When I was rowing in a team at Cambridge, everyone in the team got PMT at the same time, so I can't deny it exists," says a feminist friend of mine. "But we don't want men to think we are ruled by hormones, it's very offensive."



What the papers said:

Derwent May's bookbuyers' guide

5/5 *Pleasure ratings are awarded to a maximum of five. Column centimetres indicate the length of reviews to date in national broadsheet newspapers.*

2/5 **Better last time:** Everyone was nice about Barbara Castle on the appearance of her autobiography, *Fighting All The Way* (Macmillan £20), and she got more coverage than anybody in the book pages in the last two weeks as "The Lost Leader" or "The Prime Minister We Never Had". But nobody said much about the book. Alan Watkins in *The Spectator* concluded that there was nothing of importance in the autobiography that could not be found in more graphic form in her published *Diaries* (now in Papermac). Peter Paterson in the *Daily Mail*, Francis Wheen in *The Independent on Sunday*, and Anthony Howard in *The Sunday Times* all agreed that the diaries were better, though they enjoyed the story of her early years. First thoughts, best thoughts? *Col cms: 443.*

4/5 **Not blind — other visioned:** "Political correctness" offers such sport that the reviewers have turned eagerly to the Australian art critic Robert Hughes's book about intolerance in America, *Culture of Complaint* (Oxford £12.95). In fact, Hughes regards himself as being broadly on the Left — but, as John Carey said in *The Sunday Times*: "Since the antics of the Left offer the fattest target for ridicule, they occupy most of his time and ammunition".

Christopher Hitchens, in *The Independent on Sunday*, was wholeheartedly for the book. He found it "infused with a generous and humorous spirit", and he cited Hughes's description of Political Correctness as a "literary Lourdes" where cripples will instantly feel better if they are described as "physically challenged". "Demolishes more cant in fewer pages than would previously have seemed possible" declared Fredric Paul Smoler in *The Observer*.

Roger Kimball in *The Sunday Telegraph* was complimentary but teasing. He thought the book was a "commonsensical meal", inappropriately "festooned with a lot of liberal watercress", and he threw down a challenge to Hughes: "Why won't he admit he is a Conservative?" Only Richard Gott, the literary editor of *The Guardian*, offered a sour note. The book started as a series of lectures — "but the cheap jokes of the lecture hall do not look so good in cold print". The author's approach, said Gott, was "based on dishonest arguments". You know who your friends are now, Hughes. *Col cms: 384.*

4/5 **Ha Ha Ha among the trumpets:** The new cult novelist is the young Irishman Roddy Doyle, and his novel *Paddy Clarke Ha Ha Ha* (Secker £12.99) jumped into the best-seller list at No 6. It is the story of Paddy, a 10-year-old in Dublin in 1968, seen through his own eyes. "Potent fusion of comedy and pathos" said David Park in *The Times*. Watch your back, Adrian Mole. *Column cms: 134.*

3/5 **Get the girl:** What was Moira Shearer doing, reviewing *Sacheverell Sitwell* by Sarah Bradford (Sinclair-Stevenson £20) in the *Daily Mail*? The answer came in a footnote: "In the spring of 1946, Sachie Sitwell fell wildly and romantically in love with the beautiful young ballerina." But she wasn't giving much away: "Often heavy going on paper, Sachie was delightfully witty in conversation," she informed us. Sir Roy Strong in the *Mail on Sunday* thought that the book gave the "missing perspective" on the Sitwells.

In *The Daily Telegraph*, Dirk Bogarde found the book "a real plum-pudding, stuffed full of delicious fruits, nuts and silver trinkets", though he "rather longed for the sorbet by the finish". His metaphor, he might have said with Dr Chasuble, was from food. *Col cms: 171.*

On a wet and windy night, **Ruth Gledhill** is drenched in music by the charismatics

The grunge church shows lots of spirit



BARRY GREENWOOD



All hands and heart: evening service at St Thomas's

AFTER nearly three hours in church, it was time to wake up. "The spirit comes: a wind," said Brian McConkey, the preacher, catching me in the middle of a huge yawn. At that moment, a gusting wind blew up outside, rattling the timbers of this enormous, bleak, gothic church, and causing the youngsters around me to shiver inside their torn denims and shapeless pullovers. Mr McConkey seized his moment. "Be aware of the Holy Spirit filling your whole being, making God real to you," he declared.

I was in Lancaster, and had escaped from the wind, rain and gloom through huge, vivid-purple doors into St Thomas Penny Street, to celebrate Evening Communion and continue with "the Late Service", a charismatic evangelical event aimed at the young.

Much effort had gone into dressing scruffily, as it had into transforming this dismal church into a receptacle fit to be "filled with the Holy Spirit". If ever there was a "grunge" church, this is it. We sat in oak pews which could have used a polish, knelt on worn brown carpet, were oppressed by white-washed walls and yellowing gloss paint on what once must have been attractive plain wood panelling. Damp patches showed on the ceiling. The finest features — stained glass and a carved reredos — were barely visible beyond a newly plastered chancel wall. "It's very shoddy," said the vicar, the Rev Peter Guinness. "The church employs so many people that most of its budget goes on missions and staff." Mr Guinness hopes to restore the building, but all churches could learn from the temporary improvements effected by the youngsters for their Late Service.



Transformed: the church brightly decorated for Late Service

His curate, the Rev Trevor Mapstone, who preached at the preceding communion, is paid about £12,000 a year; the vicar earns a little more. As with most evangelical churches, the congregation of 370 adults and 150 children takes giving money seriously. Of the £100,000 income, £42,000 goes to the Blackburn diocese. The clergy's salaries come out of the remainder, which also finances a part-time secretary and cleaners. The coffee-bar manager and assistant are self-financing through the shop.

The church was packed at both services with students from Lancaster University and St Martin's College. Many wore tense expressions, linked to the exams.

After communion, while we sipped coffee, a group of young people transformed the church with ink-dyed muslin drapes — a vast improvement. Big loudspeakers were installed, and the chancel and sanctuary were screened with a colourfully lit white cloth stating "Welcome". A saxophonist, guitarists and excellent female vocalists took the floor. The decibel count was lower than usual because the lead guitarist and drummer were camping in the Yorkshire dales.

Colin Phillimore, one of the guitarists, led our worship: "We are here to party and celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit: His power in our lives," he said, leading us into the opening number, "Jesus, we celebrate Your victory". The youngsters, some in their early teens, began dancing, and a young man in torn jeans and satin waistcoat banged the pew with his fist in time to the music.

The next song was written by the group, which was not highly competent musically but was impressively creative. "Get ready to ride on the wind of the spirit," Mr Phillimore announced. His language — typical of the charismatic movement but rare outside it — was as improvised as the songs.

We moved into "Purify my heart", with many praying on their knees. A woman in orange dungarees walked down the aisle and danced to the music on the chancel steps.

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It transpired that he did not mean that the apocalypse was imminent, but was referring to the concept that the "last days" began from the time of Christ. But as he continued to speak on the Holy Spirit, with which "God is saying He's going to drench his people, He's going to soak them", the imagery was made more immediate by the tempest blowing outside around the dark grey stone edifice which shadows the shopping precinct in Lancaster.

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Ah, a vintage lucerne '93 with dinner at the cattle club

I have had a breezy little letter that put the wind up me. A couple of weeks ago, I wrote of the hay-making technique perfected by a Mr Newman Turner, in which he advocated the drying of hay on tripods. Well, the letter from Mr Watkins, who lives not far from me in Suffolk, begins: "I fear the worst for your lucerne hay" — and that is the most optimistic line in the whole missive.

He tells how he slaved to make hay on tripods — "back-breaking but satisfying" — only to end up with "hay that looked like knitting needles". He tells of being thwarted by the gale which sprang up the instant he and his men left the field for a well-earned supper, and of having to get them scurrying back to tie the escaping grass back on to the tripods. Mr Watkins is of the firm opinion that tripoding may be fine for the "cloud-cuckoo-land of Turner, but not in east Suffolk". I have to admit that I had my doubts, too. The field was mown in glorious sunshine and allowed to wilt for at least two days, having been turned over once to allow the sun and the breeze to attack both sides of it. I cut it on the Sunday and decided it would go on the tripods that Friday.



However, I happened to catch the lunchtime weather forecast on Wednesday and was shocked rigid by a drastic change in the weathermen's opinion. Words such as "torrential" and "flooding in places" were littered throughout the damp little forecast. I hit the phone. The forecast was broadcast at 1.30pm: by 2.30pm I had five blokes on the field wielding pitchforks as if to hold back some impending, overwhelming natural disaster.

"Clung!" said my old friend Dilly, who had been aroused from behind the *Daily Mirror* and hauled into a fast car. "That ol' grass be clung!" He meant it was too damp, soggy, floppy: it is an adjective frequently used hereabouts to described not only limp lumps of grass, but people, too. "It will be all right," I told him, attempting to inflect my voice with a confidence that my heart did not hold. (It is difficult to explain to someone who was making hay when beer was a penny a pint that, although you greatly respect his opinion, you believe it to be wrong on the basis of something you have just read in a book. That is how you come to get a reputation for being "clung" yourself.) So I kept my mouth shut and my pitchfork moving, and by half past five, as the clouds gathered in the western sky, the last tripod was thankfully topped-up.



There was no gale, but what the weather lacked in ferocity it made up for in dampness. For three days it cascaded upon the tripods till the ground round them was squelchy underfoot. After a few days, I bravely slid my hand beneath the layers of hay on the tripods, and found it emerged sodden up to the cuffs on my shirt.

There was no point taking any action: there was simply nothing to do. But on a scorching day last week, I decided we had better nerve ourselves and cart the lucerne to the yard and build a stack — if it was worth it.

I have had few greater joys in my short farming career than that moment when my fork cut through the bleached outer layers of the dried lucerne to reveal a rich seam of perfectly preserved fodder. It was all that Mr Turner had promised. It did not have that cooked look that hay takes on when it has been cruelly dried under a blazing sun, "the goodness having been burnt out of it", as Mr Turner suggested. It had a preserved quality; it had a life about it that had been fossilised by the slow and steady drying effect of having been lifted off the ground on to these miraculous tripods and gently dried by the action of the breeze alone. It had a preserved vitality which you could sense would re-emerge the moment it hit a cow's palate. The torrential rain had made no difference to it: the outer layers acted as a thatch and it soon dried in the sunshine.

But the smell was even better. It had the malty aroma of Horlicks, the appealing freshness of a recently trodden daisy, the perfume of a great chardonnay. If ever there was vintage hay, this was certainly it. If cattle belonged to good clubs, they would surely lay down a few bales of this stuff to guzzle during dinner ten years hence.

I still go out to the stack and sniff it. And I toast Newman Turner who, if not already posthumously ennobled, should at least be put on some kind of pedestal. A three-legged one, of course.

TONY WHITE



Impressive handful: male and female giant atlas moths with 12in wing spans, the pride of Simon Preston's display at Badsell Park Farm, Kent

Home of the mega moths

Simon Preston is a moth man, but it's his butterflies the crowds flutter round. Jessica Gorst-Williams reports

As we entered his butterfly house, Simon Preston was talking about moths. "As a boy I would fill the classroom with moths. The female oak eggar moth can attract males from about 40 miles. I'd hide a female in a box and the males would scent her and arrive in hordes." Now he is achieving a similar result with the public.

Although moths are his great enthusiasm, it is tropical butterflies that are drawing the crowds to his butterfly house at Badsell Park Farm, Paddock Wood in Kent. The moths are being sidelined. High above the lantanas and buddleia you will see the only two moth inhabitants of the butterfly house, and technically they are the most interesting insects there: a male and female giant atlas with 12in wing spans, which makes them one of the largest types of moth in the world.

The butterfly house is one of the ways Mr Preston has had to compromise private interests with commercial reality. Another is his preference to display only British butterflies. Twenty-five varieties (out of 60 native ones) have been spotted around the farm, where he is trying to conserve British breeds. But they, too, can be wayward when it comes to putting on a show.

"In an enclosure like this, British butterflies dash at great speed from one corner to the other, then settle and do nothing. In the tropical environment we create for them, tropical ones such as Painted Jezebels, White Tree Nymphs and Blue Peacocks flutter and hover so people can see them."

The butterflies that are spinning around us in a dazzling array of greens, bright oranges, yellows and blues come from Peru, the Philippines, Malaysia, Kenya and central Africa, Taiwan, Thailand and New Guinea.

Each week a batch of about 30 pupae, costing approximately £50, complete the last leg of their journey via dealers and the postman to Badsell Park Farm. Nigel Hodges, who has been working in the butterfly house since it opened three years ago, unpacks them. Then, with an Evo glue stick, he attaches the pupae upside down to plant sticks and puts them into an insulated propagator at a temperature of 70-80F. "If you keep the humidity too high you will drown them," Mr Hodges says. "Too low and they don't come out. If the temperature is too cold you chill them. Too hot and they get cooked. We don't know exactly what stage they are at when they arrive, so it could be between five and 21 days until they hatch."

When a butterfly emerges, usually at dawn, the wings are tiny. It takes the butterfly up to three hours to dry out, then another hour before it can fly.

Each début is a triumph against the odds — as was the butterfly house itself, which measures about 23ft long by 10ft wide. The site used to be the back of an old bullock yard and a stream running through it had to be piped underground. "The butterfly house needed to be sheltered, relatively warm and, above all, let sunlight in," Mr Hodges says. "It does this for some of the day, up to about 1 o'clock, then the sun moves away." It may be the lack of sunlight in the afternoon that sometimes stops the butterflies flying then. Or, he thinks, it could be that "most butterflies, even in the wild, fly in the morning, and then they get stressed. They've used up all their energy and need a rest."

Then there are the gaps, through which cold air seeps in and the occasional butterfly gets out — "the owl butterfly up in the pear orchard, for instance", Mr Hodges says.

The real problem, though, is pests: red spider, white fly, slugs, snails and aphids rival one another to destroy the plants on which butterflies feed — lantanas, busy-lizzies, fuchsias, geraniums and buddleia, plumbago and citrus plants mostly in orange, red and pink. "Butterflies are not attracted to white or yellow flowers," Mr Hodges says, "even strongly scented ones."

Ants are a problem for different reasons. One sting and a butterfly dies. The night before my visit two were lost that way. Then a spider killed a mocker swallowtail.

Insecticides were tried, but they killed two-thirds of the butterflies. Now it is outright biological warfare. The pupae or eggs of other creatures, some so small they are invisible to the naked eye, arrive in tubed packages through the post. They are sprinkled around and when they hatch they attack the predators.

All this seems rather a U-turn from the days when Mr Preston was a boy. Then, "armed with setting boards, relaxing tins, collecting boxes and a cyanide-based killing bottle, I built up a butterfly collection", he says. Even moths in those days would be trapped at night with "a disgusting sticky mixture of sugar, warm treacle and rum, which would be pasted on to tree trunks. Alive, but slightly drunk, the moths could then be seized." Now Mr Preston is reeling — just thinking about what he used to do.

Feather report

Tribes of the sun

Swallows go wherever there are flying insects. They patrol up and down the rivers; they swoop in front of golfers who have disturbed the flies in the grass. They are instantly recognisable, with their steely blue backs and the 3in-long streamers either side of their tails, and you can often hear the snap of their beaks as they pick up an insect.

Most are nesting now, with eggs or young in the little mud cups that they have built on the rafters in dark barns and garages. They sweep through the door or window with amazing precision.

The pair defends its nest site against other swallows, and they will sometimes even chase bats away. After the first brood is on the wing, they will normally have a second and sometimes a third. So by the autumn, the fields around the farms are full of swallows, among whom the young can be distinguished because their streamers have not yet grown. By September, most are off to southern Africa; but a few late breeders stay around until October.

The two other members of the swallow family that breed in Britain are the house martin and the sand martin. House martins winter in equatorial Africa, so they do not have so far to come as the swallows, but they usually arrive later and many of them are still building. They make deep nests of mud and grass under the eaves of houses, or even of the shops in a busy street. If there is a puddle by a village green, that is where they will cluster, picking up mud in their beaks.

They are black above, with a slight blue gloss, and white beneath, with white feathers on their legs. In the air they show a conspicuous white rump, and their chattering calls always remind me of the clicker that lantern-slide lecturers used to use when they wanted the picture changed.

After the young birds have flown, they still come back to the nest to roost for a time. The young of the first brood have also been recorded as helping their parents to feed the nestlings of the second annual family — an unusual form of co-operation among birds.

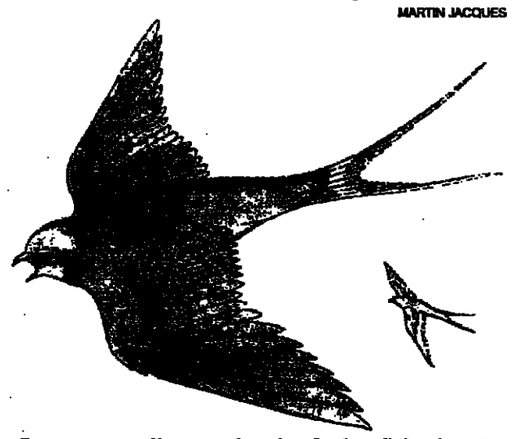
The smallest and least familiar of our swallows is the sand martin. It, too, comes up from central Africa, and its numbers were badly hit by the drought on the southern edge of the Sahara about 20 years ago. Also, it breeds mainly in holes in sandbanks and quarries, and that kind of nesting-site has become harder to find in recent years.

The nest-hole is the centre of their lives. They dig it out for themselves and usually come back to it in subsequent years. Unmated males sit in the entrance to attract a female. Paired birds will also sit there, ruffling up their head and neck feathers, to keep others out. When the young grow bigger they come to the entrance to watch out for their parents returning with food. At this time the young birds also learn to recognise their parents' individual calls: once they leave the nest, it would be easy to lose them among the sand martins that are constantly flying to and fro in front of the quarry face.

All the swallow family like sunbathing — swallows sometimes lie on a roof, sand martins gather on the ground in the lee of a wall or cliff face. They turn their flanks to the sun and lift their wings to let the heat get to their bodies. Then they are off again on the endless quest for flying insects. They are birds of the sun and air, a tribe like no other.

DERWENT MAY

MARTIN JACQUES



Snap trap: swallows on the wing feed on flying insects

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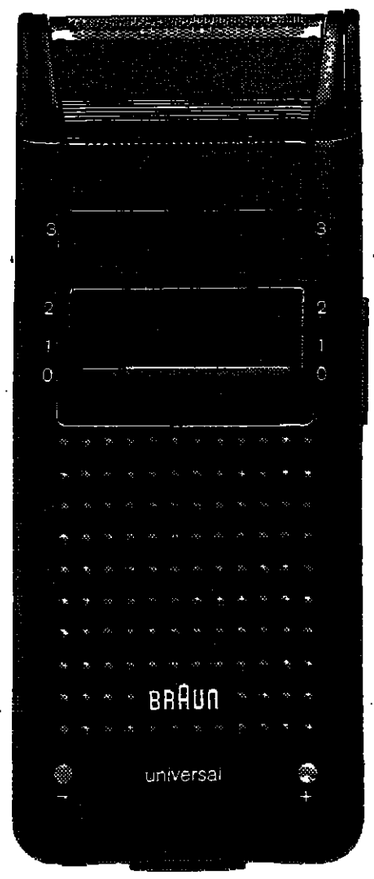
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A weekly round-up of news on eating out

KIND TO POTS
The Old Vicarage
Ridgeway Moor, Ridgeway, Derbyshire (0742 475814)
Honoured by the Potato Marketing Board as the British new potato season gets into full swing, Tessa Bramley aims to use as much food from her own gardens as possible, and all her own herbs and salads, *Robin Young writes*. New potatoes and carrots are already in: peas, beans and summer fruits start any moment. Four-course lunches and dinners are £27.50 in the restaurant, three-course meals £17.50 in the bistro. Sunday lunch, £18.50. Open Tuesday to Friday, Saturday dinner and Sunday lunch, 12.15-2.30pm and 7-10.30pm.

MR NO CHIPS
Bosted Onion Restaurant
209-213 High Street, Halmer End, Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire (between Newcastle-under-Lyme and Nantwich) (0782 722799)
Paul Breuer, self-taught cook and former delicatessen owner, started the Bosted Onion as an alternative to the local fish and chip shop, serving healthily cooked English food ("interesting without being weird") four nights a week. Nothing is fried, and about half the choices are vegetarian. On Wednesdays and Thursdays two-course dinners are £5, three courses £6.50. On Fridays and Saturdays reckon up to £20 a head.

MOVING ON
Soho Soho
11-13 Frith Street, Soho, London W1 (071-494 3491)
Chef Tony Howarth has now moved on to Café du Jardin in Covent Garden: Soho Soho's new head is Laurent Lebeaux, who also succeeded Tony as head chef formerly at Café Pelican, and has recently been at Chez Gerard in Charlotte Street. Reckon £15 a head in Soho Soho's ground floor café-bar-rôtisserie, perhaps £30 in the restaurant. First floor open Monday to Friday, noon-3pm, and Monday to Saturday, 6pm-midnight. Ground floor 8am-1am, Monday to Saturday.

Dressed in linen, Wensleydale has been reinvented as a connoisseur's delicacy, **Paul Wilkinson** reports

Buffed up for a cheesy revival

True Wensleydale is back in Britain's shops after a series of adventures that took the cheese from the eponymous Yorkshire dale to the point of extinction, but finished, like all good stories, with a happy ending.

In the process "real" Wensleydale has moved up-market from the ranks of identical, shrink-wrapped blocks cramming superstore chiller cabinets to become a hand-crafted delicacy, gracing the marbled counters of Fortnum's, Harrods and specialist delicatessens.

A hint of honey in the flavour of Wensleydale makes it an excellent companion to sweet dishes. In Yorkshire, wedges of the moist, crumbly white cheese are traditionally eaten either with a piece of apple pie or atop a thick chunk of rich fruitcake. Dales folk claim their herb-rich pastures impart a flavour through the milk that is impossible to duplicate elsewhere.

The return of the real thing from near oblivion is a story of David versus Goliath, of a small community's determination and ingenuity against remote, faceless, big-company bureaucracy.

In May last year, Dairy Crest, the retail arm of the Milk Marketing Board, announced from its Thames Ditton headquarters in suburban Surrey, 250 miles from Yorkshire, that production was to stop at its Hawes creamery near the top of Wensleydale. It would end a tradition of cheesemaking in the dale that stretched back unbroken to the 12th century, when French Cistercian monks first introduced the process.

Even worse for all true Yorkshiremen, production was to cross the Pennines to a modern plant in Lancashire. Apart from the slight to their pride, the loss of 60 jobs threatened to devastate the valley community. A rescue campaign mobilised expatriate Yorkies, questions were asked in Parliament and a deluge of protest letters flooded in from around the world.

Dairy Crest felt the full force of northern opinion, and was mightily embarrassed when cyclists in the MMB-sponsored Milk Race were routed through the dale last summer. The locals' reception, as stony and cold as the surrounding moortops in January, appeared on television across Europe.

As well as words, there was action as a local consortium negotiated to buy the creamery, but the talking was tough, as Dairy Crest allegedly set awkward conditions to protect its own market, and asked a football-pool price for the plant.

By the summer all seemed lost when the creamery finally closed. Essential equipment was removed, and a key employer was lost to a tightly stretched rural economy. But as in an ancient drama, a *deus ex machina* appeared. Last November, a previously unknown group of former employees announced a successful bid. Much of the £300,000 required came from John Gibson, a recently retired industrialist.

In spring, the metamorphosed mousetrap made its first appearance. It has shed its populist plastic wrapping to don classic linen and move up-market as a delicacy for cheese buffs. David Hartley, managing director of the new company, says: "Because of the restrictions placed on us by Dairy Crest, which wanted to protect its own Wensleydale production in Lancashire, we had to rethink. It helped us in a way. Because we could not resume mass production, we went for quality. All our cheeses are now hand-made and wrapped in linen. They are also stored for longer to improve the flavour, before being released to the market."

Nationally, Wensleydale production runs at 2,000 tons a week. The Hawes creamery produces just eight. Instead of huge blocks such as those mass-produced in big dairies elsewhere, Hawes makes traditional cylindrical 10lb "talls" and 13lb disc-shaped "flats". Soon after the relaunch, the creamery landed its first big success with an order to supply all of Safeway's English and Welsh stores. It has since won a string of awards at food fairs around the country, including a first at the International Food and Drink Exhibition at Earl's Court, London.

Reputed to be the Queen Mother's favourite cheese, there was little surprise when, soon after the Safeway's order, it was ordered by both Fortnum & Mason and Harrods. Sales are running 20 per cent above initial forecasts, and new staff are being taken on ahead of schedule, although as yet only a third of the original workforce has been employed. Two weeks ago, Sainsbury became the latest retailer to sign up for supplies for its delicatessens.

The enterprising new owners have also identified a place in the tourist market and reintroduced a 1lb special which sold by the ton to tourists until, inexplicably, it was dumped by Dairy Crest ten years ago.

The creamery will expand further next year with a visitor centre, museum and educational trips for schoolchildren.

According to Mr Hartley, closing the creamery was neither here nor there to Dairy Crest. "To us and the dale it was life or death. Farming is declining, there's little or no industry. The dale would be dead if the creamery went."

● *Small linen-wrapped Wensleydales are available in 500g sizes by mail order for £4.50, including packing and postage, from Wensleydale Dairy Products, Gayle Lane, Hawes, North Yorkshire DL8 3RN.*


PAUL EDMONDS

Say cheese: Richard Clarke shows off the fine fare of the Hawes creamery, whose rescue has ensured the survival of the local community — and salvaged local pride



DISH OF THE DAY

CHEF: Paul Heathcote, aged 32.

BORN: Farnworth, Bolton, Lancashire.

RESTAURANT: Heathcote's, 104-106 Higher Road, Longridge, near Preston, Lancashire (0772 784969).

PRESENT: Successful chef-proprietor, with builders currently at work on new kitchens and lounge for Heathcote's.

PAST: Bolton Technical College, Sharrow Bay, the Connaught, Manoir aux Quat' Saisons, and Broughton Park Hotel, Preston.

FUTURE: Hopes to have a new brasserie up and running within the next year and a half.

PERSONAL: Might have preferred to be a professional squash player. Has seen two hotels, which refused him a job before he set up Heathcote's, both go into receivership.

DISH: Heathcote's black pudding of veal sweetbreads served with crushed potatoes, beans and thyme-scented juices.
His black pudding includes champagne-soaked sultanas, and the beans are flageolets cooked in tomato stock and reheated in veal jus ("a bit like baked beans really").
Crushed potatoes are cooked in their skins, peeled and pounded (not puréed) with butter.

PRICE: £7 à la carte as a starter, although the dish is often included in the £32.50 six-course gourmet menu.

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TANNIN is the ingredient that makes red wines such long-distance runners, compared to white wines. Without it, reds turn pale and spindly with age and eventually break up. Almost every robust, traditionally vinified red will benefit from a few years' cellarage that will turn its tannins into something richer, softer, more scented and easier to drink.

The reds that, via modern methods such as maceration carbonique, have been vinified today to be drunk tomorrow, and thus should not be laid down, mostly carry warning back-labels advising consumption within six months of purchase. Many are made from light, gulpable grapes such as gamay. As with white wines, avoid cellaring any red priced under £3.50: these will wither, not bloom, with age.

The top red grapes to lay down include cabernet sauvignon, syrah and pinot noir. The first two produce the darkest and most structured reds, with the highest levels of tannin and acidity, and thus the best potentional for ageing. By rights, the syrah grape, because of its dense, purple-black colour and high tannin content, should outlive the cabernet sauvignon-based blends. While I have tasted some grand 50-year-old châteauneuf-du-pape made with a good dollop of the syrah grape from the southern Rhône, most of the northern Rhône syrah do not, in my experience, go much beyond the 25 years. By comparison, the pernickety pinot noir mostly fadesafter 15 years of ageing.

So, with a possible red-wine maturation span of up to 50 years, what reds should you lay down, and for how long?

Good, ordinary reds from Bordeaux, the *petits châteaux* wines, react happily to a few years' cellarage, but no more than five, by acquiring some of the rich, cedary scents their more illustrious *cru classé* relations display with time. There are lots of names to choose from, but expect to pay about £5.50-£7 a bottle.

Decent pinot noir from Burgundy at about £6.50, from good co-operatives such as the Caves des Hautes-Côtes, also fits into this category: try their fine, plummy yet still humble Hautes Côtes de Beaune and Hautes Côtes de Nuits.

Rhône reds such as Guigal's Côtes-du-Rhône and Crozes-Hermitage from one of the better co-operatives, such as the Cave des Clairmonts, belong to this rank of maturing reds that, with up to five years of age, switch from simple fruit flavours to revealing a little of the seductive perfume and black pepper spice typical of the region. (New-world cabernet and shiraz wines at this level benefit from cellarage, too.) The higher up the red wine quality scale you go, the more age you should expect to give the wines.


ANTHONY BLAKE

Deserving a good, old red: a warming *boeuf à la ficelle*



THE better Bordeaux properties on the next *cru bourgeois* rung need at least five years in the cellar, perhaps seven, but no more than ten if they are from firm vintages such as '82 and '86. Expect to cellar the second wines of top châteaux for roughly the same time. This time-scale also applies to the better village-level red burgundies from, say, Savigny, Volnay and Beaune.

Better burgundy value is to be had in the less-regarded Côte Challonaise from appellations such as Givry and Mercurey. In the Rhône, at this quality and maturity level, look out for middle-ranking wines such as Châteauneuf-du-Pape and St Joseph. Most new-world reds of this calibre from, say, California and Australia, are sold under the pricier "reserve" labels.

The longest-living reds include Bordeaux's first, second and third growths that need at least 12, if not 15 years of maturation. Burgundy offers its Côte d'Or best in the shape of the greatest *grand cru* names that start to come into their own at eight years old. The Rhône has Hermitage and Côte Rôtie; Italy has its barolos and barbarescos; Spain its *gran reservas* from Rioja and elsewhere.

Not many new-world wines fit into this category; exceptions are the top vintages of great California cabernets such as Heitz Martha's Vineyard, Mondavi's reserves, and Australia's Coonawarra cabernets.

JANE MACQUITTY

BEST BUYS

● **1991 Mountadam Eden Valley Pinot Noir:** *Thresher Group £9.99.*
Adam Wynn, Australian-born and Bordeaux-trained, made this impressive, luscious, intense 14 per cent alcohol plum and liquorice-layered mouthful.

● **1992 Le Colounney Vin de Pays des Côtes de Gascogne:** *Augustus Barnet £3.49.*
Very crisp, fresh, flowery-appley scent and taste backed up by lots of zingy, young '92 fruit.

● **1989 Crémant de Bourgogne, Cave de Vire:** *Tesco £6.99.*
A wonderful, smokey-toasty, lemony burgundy fizz, with plenty of creamy Chardonnay-only fruit, make this the best high street Crémant.

● **1991 Chablis Premier Cru, Mont de Milieu:** *Waitrose £8.95.*
A keen price for a Premier Cru chablis with classic, full, cheesy-oaky flavour.

● **Moscato d'Asti, Cantine Gemma:** *Oddbins £2.99.*
With just 5.5 per cent alcohol, this softly sweet, gently sparkling wine is full of mouthwatering, musky-grapey flavours.

● **1992 Domaine le Puts Rosé, Vin de Pays des Côtes de Gascogne:** *Majestic Wine Warehouses £3.49.*
Not the greatest rosé on sale but a pleasant, jammy strawberry and raspberry scented orangey-pink mouthful all the same.

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If the weather is fine, lay a table in the garden. Comfortable chairs, rugs and cushions will encourage your friends to linger, and there is much here for them to linger over: a crisp, light pastry case filled with young vegetables baked in a cheese-flavoured custard, or a creamy, mousse-like terrine of chicken liver and mushrooms will make a fine starter; baskets of breads and unsalted butter will probably be wanted right through the meal; a bowl of new potatoes cooked a couple of hours in advance, but not refrigerated, will be perfect with the main course, as will a green salad with plenty of fresh herbs in it or a watercress salad.

Pork is one of the best meats to serve cold, particularly if you can get hold of meat from a free-range, slow-growing pig. Fat gives flavour to meat, so leave it on for cooking; it will produce a beautifully moist, cold roast, which will slice easily.

Sometimes I cook the pork with prune stuffing, sometimes with apricots. Both are good. For a smaller piece of meat, I recommend a tenderloin or fillet of pork. These weigh about 12-14oz/340-400g. Split them, almost but not quite through the middle, open out, spread with the stuffing, arrange the prunes, fold over, and tie at intervals. Roast for about 40 minutes.

If you do not feel in the mood for roasting a joint, cold grilled pork chops or slices of pork fillet — flattened, breaded and fried — make an excellent alternative.

Serve plenty of pickles and chutneys, whichever pork dish you choose. One or two whole cheeses, kept cool under a damp cloth, could be welcome. I also suggest a lemon-water ice served with home-made biscuits, or for something more substantial, a freshly baked lemon and honey pudding.

Cool, dry cider and cider cups, home-made barley water and lemonade make delicious accompaniments to the meal.

Summer vegetable tart

(serves 4-6)

1lb/455g mixed vegetables (see below)

½lb/230g shortcrust pastry

3 size 2 free-range eggs

½pt/280ml full-cream milk

3oz/85g grated Gruyère or Parmesan

seasoning

grating of nutmeg

Prepare the vegetables as appropriate: peel and thinly slice carrots, break broccoli into florets, rinse asparagus and break into three or four tender pieces. Slice courgettes, shell broad beans and peas and top, tail and slice or snap green beans or runnerbeans. Drop all the vegetables into lightly salted boiling water and boil for two minutes only. Drain and refresh under cold water. Broad beans are best if popped from their skin at this stage.

Roll out the pastry and line a 10-12in/25-30cm flan tin or dish. Prick the bottom and bake blind in a pre-heated oven at 375F/190C, gas mark 5, for eight to ten minutes. Allow to cool slightly.

Arrange the vegetables in the pastry case. Beat together the eggs, milk, grated cheese and seasonings and pour over the vegetables. Extra cheese can be grated on top if you wish.

Bake at 200C/400F, gas mark 6, for approximately 25 minutes, until the filling is set, puffed up and golden. Serve warm or cold, but not straight from the refrigerator.

Chicken liver and mushroom terrine

(makes about 3lb/1.35 kg)

¾lb/340g chicken livers

2lb/900g mushrooms

½lb/230g crème fraîche

sprig of sage

freshly grated nutmeg

salt, pepper

1tsp lemon juice

3 free-range eggs, separated

Trim the chicken livers and fry in a non-stick pan until just cooked. Remove and put to one side. Wipe and trim the mushrooms; slice, halve or quarter them, depending on size, and fry vigorously until they have given up most of their liquid. Allow to cool slightly.

Put all the ingredients in the food processor and mix until smooth. Add the lightly beaten egg yolks gradually. Fold in the stiffly beaten egg whites and pour into greased terrines. Place in a deep roasting tin, with a few inches of water, and cook for 40 minutes at 150C/300F, gas mark 3. Remove from the oven, cool and refrigerate for 24 hours before turning out.

Pot-roasted stuffed loin of pork

(serves 6-8)

8-10 prunes

3-4lb/1.35-1.80kg loin of pork

1 onion

3oz/85g soft breadcrumbs

3oz/85g shelled and chopped walnuts

6 sage leaves, or a good sprig of tarragon or a small handful of chervil

salt, pepper

¼pt/140ml pork or other meat stock

Put the prunes to soak in hot water, wine or tea. Remove the skin from the pork and bone the joint. Make stock with the bones. Remove the loose pieces of meat and finely chop or mince it. Peel and chop the onion and mix it with the meat, breadcrumbs and walnuts. Add chopped fresh herbs and seasoning.

Remove the stones from the prunes. Spread the stuffing over the meat and lay the prunes down the middle. Shape it into a roll and tie it at intervals to keep it together. Heat a non-stick frying pan and fry the joint all over to brown it, and then transfer it to a casserole. Moisten with stock and cook in a pre-heated oven at 180C/350F, gas mark 4, for 1½-2 hours. Remove from the oven and allow to go cold before carving.

This dish is delicious served with a crisp fennel and apple salad and a cold pasta or rice salad, as well as a large bowl of green salad.

Lemon sorbet

(serves 4-6)

3 large lemons

water

½lb/230g granulated sugar

Grate the zest from the lemons and set aside. Cut the lemons in half and squeeze the juice into a measuring jug. Add water to make up to 1pt/560ml. Pour into a saucepan, add the sugar and heat gently until the sugar is dissolved. Cool, stir in the zest and then freeze the lemon syrup, either in a *sorbetière* or in a box in the freezer. If the latter, you will need to beat up the half-frozen mixture three or four times to get a good, smooth texture. Serve with almond biscuits.

Almond biscuits

(makes about 12)

2oz/60g ground almonds

1 free-range egg white

2oz/60g caster sugar

½oz/15g sifted flour

½oz/15g flaked almonds

Mix the first four ingredients together to make a paste. Take a teaspoon of the mixture and roll it into a ball. Place on a baking parchment or greaseproof paper-lined baking sheet and spread out as thinly as possible. Continue with the rest of the mixture, leaving a 1in/2.5cm space between each round of almond paste. Divide the almond flakes among the biscuits and press them in gently. Bake in a moderate oven at 350F/180C, gas mark 4, for ten minutes. Remove from oven and cool on a wire rack.

Lemon and honey pudding

serves 6

2 large lemons with good skins

3tbsp clear honey

1oz/30g unsalted butter

3oz/85g plain flour

3 size 3 free-range eggs

¾pt/430ml milk

Pare a thin layer of zest from one of the lemons, taking care not to remove any bitter white pith. Cut the zest into long strips and cook these gently in a little water for five minutes. Drain off the water, and add the honey to the pan. Cook the zest in the honey until it begins to turn transparent, as if you were making marmalade. Make a batter with the flour, eggs and milk, and stir in the flavoured honey and lemon zest. Grate the zest of the second lemon into the batter and add the squeezed juice of one lemon. Stir thoroughly and pour the batter into a well-buttered dish. Dot with the remaining butter and bake in the middle of a pre-heated oven, 200C/400F, gas mark 6, for 40 minutes or so, until well risen and golden brown. Remove from the oven and serve warm. Cream or plain yoghurt goes well with this.

● *Frances Bissell will demonstrate mid-summer surprises on June 24 at 5pm in the Harrods cookery demonstration theatre at the Eating-In Show, being held at the Business Design Centre, Islington, north London, June 24-27.*

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In a manner of eating

Etiquette can be a minefield, but the Eating-In Show has the answers

On Wednesday, readers of *The Times* are invited to attend a preview of the Eating-In Show in aid of Birthright, the research charity that funds medical projects for the better health of pregnant women and babies.

The Eating-In Show, with wine tastings, cookery demonstrations, state-of-the-art kitchen equipment and advice on modern manners, aims to free hostesses from all possible blunders and bloomers. But does all this matter? Should we really be having sleepless nights over whether to use fish knives with the caviar? Will our friends never speak to us again if we serve potatoes straight from a saucepan that is not Le Creuset?

According to Drusilla Beyfus, author of *Modern Manners*, for informal occasions people can write their own etiquette manual. But if guests are going to the bother of dressing up and coming across town, they do not want to be served dreary food or a deli mishmash in grungy surroundings. It should be smart, but not so smart that guests feel they should leave a tip under the cheeseboard and feel embarrassed about having brought Bulgarian wine.



Here are some of her tips. Eight is the ideal number, ten too large without a butler, six not worth the effort. Cocktails are good for breaking the ice, but canapés are dismissed: "A good dinner doesn't need them." Napkins have to be linen and, unless you are American, they have to be white damask. The Americans are allowed tackier reds and yellows.

Finger bowls are optional (but do not, as my grandmother did, put goldfish in them, in case the guests mistake them for the second course). As long as the silver is polished nobody worries if the forks do not match, but God forbid if you say grace while sitting down.

And what of conversation? "It is enormously rude to spend your whole time talking to the person who has taken your fancy. If you get stuck, find an excuse and never say something deliberately inflammatory."

You have to address the veggie issue at some point, according to Ms Beyfus. However, vegetarians, she says, should either ring beforehand or simply smile and hope the whole dinner does not consist of Irish stew. "It is appallingly bad manners to try to convert a veggie." So do not try to stuff burgers down unsuspecting throats.

Up to 20 minutes late is acceptable, after which point you should start the meal and glare as guests arrive. If they have not appeared by the end of the first course, take their places away (and disconnect the front doorbell). Those guests who are allowed in and ride the social assault course should send a handwritten card of thanks the next day.

Those who are still daunted may be interested in a few simple tips that my mother drummed into me:

● While port and cigars are acceptable items for circulation after dinner, your curriculum vitae and children's photos are not.

● Diets make suitable conversation only if one is seeking to comment directly on the meagre size of the helpings. If you are battling with your figure, it will probably be obvious enough anyway without your drawing attention to it.

● If you cut your hand chopping the vegetables, do not try to pass off the resulting dish as mashed potatoes with beetroot — the bandage is a give-away, and your partner is bound to tell.

● Your hostess's decision to serve Bombay duck is not the cue for you to regale your fellow guests with stories about the time you were sick all over fellow passengers on a Chinese train.

You have been warned.

ALICE THOMSON

● *The Birthright Preview of the Eating-In Show is on Wednesday, 6.30-9.30pm at the Business Design Centre, Islington. Tickets, £35 (includes £15 for Birthright). Please send cheques, payable to Birthright, with name, address and telephone number to: Birthright/Eating-In Gala, 27 Sussex Place, London NW1 4SP.*



Angler **Brian Clarke** weighs up the success of his wife Anne's first fishing lesson

JULIAN HERBERT



Casting opinions: Bernard Aldrich, fly-fishing expert on the Test in Hampshire, advises Anne Clarke, a newcomer to the sport, in the fishy art

Hooked by a killer fly

I cannot remember quite how the subject came up, but some time last month my wife said she would like to find out what fly-fishing is like. To say that it came as a bombshell would be to overstate the power of bombs, even large ones.

After 25 years of tapping her temple at my friends and me: of tolerating our skilful exaggerations and excuses for returning late: of side-stepping line and avoiding tackle; of putting up with wriggly things emerging from aquaria and disagreeable aromas from the car — here she was expressing interest herself, for the first time.

There were good reasons, she said. Curiosity had seeped in through the pores. After 25 years of contact with my enthusiasms she had become "contaminated but not infected". And now that the last of our daughters had left for university she had time to see if she liked it: she'd give it a go, just once.

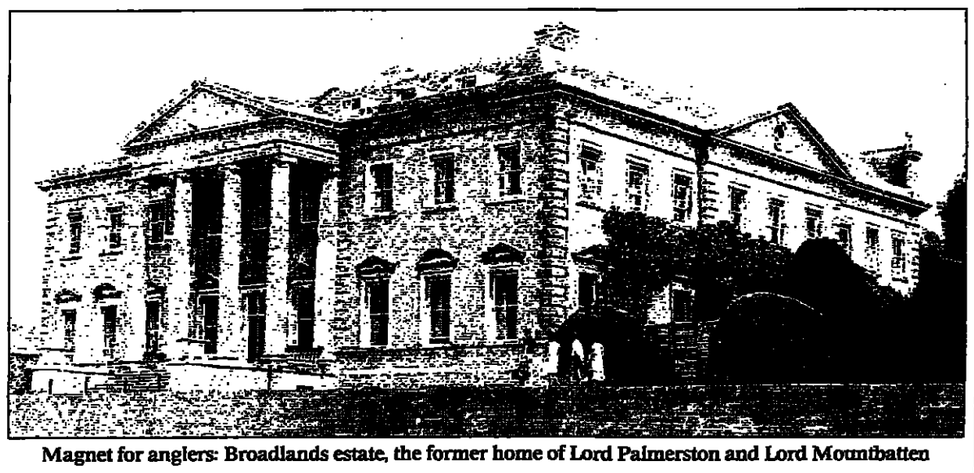
There are plenty of ways to start fly-fishing. There are professional fishing instructors everywhere. There are hotels that own fishing rights, and many that run residential fly-fishing courses. There are several permutations in between and, of course, in Anne's case I could teach her myself.

In the end we decided that the 25 years had been too good to take risks with. Someone else should teach her. She would lose interest in comfort or catch the bug in style. We booked into a hotel near Romsey in Hampshire.

The River Test is the most famous trout stream in the world. At Romsey it winds, gleaming, through the 6,000 acres of the Broadlands estate, Lord Mountbatten's former home. It is the river on which dry fly-fishing as an art was taken forward in huge steps by F.M. Halford, and others, 100 years ago. Whole libraries have been written about it. Bernard Aldrich, Lord Mountbatten's former keeper and the man who taught the Prince of Wales, among others, to fish for trout, teaches there. Lord Palmerston once owned the place. Would there, Anne wanted to know, be any lavatories on the banks?

We chose the right place but the wrong weekend. A gale was blasting in from the west. There were occasional flecks of rain and only intermittent sun. The river, after a wild, wet week, was rollicking down. The mayfly was up but the water was cold. There were no trout to be seen. I set Anne up with an 8ft carbon fibre rod — 9ft would have been better, but the wind was too strong — and watched.

Fly-line is odd stuff; quite thick and heavy. Because there is no weight in the fly attached to the end, it has to be worked out with a rhythmic flexing of the rod. Under calm conditions, in the hands of an expert, the line can cut through the air as clean and precise as a surgical incision. In the hands of a beginner when the weather is rough, the results can look like a bowl of spaghetti thrown at the wind.



Magnet for anglers: Broadlands estate, the former home of Lord Palmerston and Lord Mountbatten



The lord of the flies: Palmerston

After an hour with Mr Aldrich in a sheltered corner of the bank, Anne was putting out a better line under such conditions than any beginner I had seen; occasionally it was damaged by a sudden gust, but mostly it held high and straight. I saw her in a new light. Here was not only Earth Mother, Dispatcher of Spiders and Best Friend, but intimidatingly confident Fisher Wife.

I went off to find water of my own. When I returned 90 minutes later, Fisher Wife was wearing an expression I know of old. The pitch of her voice was familiar: slightly over-solicitous, loaded. "Got anything, dear?"

"No. Haven't seen a bloody thing."

"Excellent," she cried, exuding the sympathy that my family has always shown towards any fishy anguish. She pounced on the grass and leapt up. "I got this!" A 2lb brown trout, expertly caught under the gills on her crooked forefinger, was thrust forward for admiration and my inner defeat. Mr Aldrich beamed, as though he had given birth, which I suppose he had.



Success: Anne Clarke's first catch

Later — by which time, mercifully, I had evened the score — we stopped for lunch. Food filled and drinks mellowed. Fisher Wife got into the swing of things, recounting the story of her triumph in minute detail, milking the story in a way that seemed familiar: the heart-stopping take bit, the fighting with savage fury episode, the last-minute drama with the rod wrenched around to breaking point, etc. It was a virtuoso performance from one so new to the game, and brought murmurs of fatherly appreciation from Mr Aldrich, though not from me.



Choice selection: a case of trout flies

That evening, back at the hotel, Anne repeated her performance for the other guests, adding — shamelessly, I thought — an extra half pound to the fish's weight, when four ounces would have been appropriate for a beginner. Everyone was enthralled. The hotel manager, who had weighed the fish and who was hovering nearby, raised a Jeevesian eyebrow, but said nothing.

"Look here," I whispered later. "That fish. I know exactly how much it weighed . . . to the ounce."

She looked me in the eye and smiled. "I know you do," she said. "But I learnt long ago that in matters of fish and fishing the truth is much too rare a commodity to be used all the time."

I looked at her, first in amazement and then in relief. Here were the makings of an angler born and bred.



Picking the locks on a grand canal

Alan Kay finds 4mph is too fast on a narrowboat holiday with his family

ADRIAN BROOKS



Watery boulevard: Grand Union Canal near Marsworth

It was past midnight and uncomfortably close to our first narrowboat holiday as I slumped, bleary-eyed, over a pile of beginner's guides, my head swimming with details of the correct procedure for operating lock paddles and gates.

To be a novice at anything is to be ill at ease, and I yearned for a little knowledge, for a protective glaze against the mocking stares of the experts who would see me for the weekend sailor I was.

Next morning I found that my sleep had been lost in vain. After a brief lesson, I quickly became semi-proficient. Not half an hour after setting off from Berkhamsted, Hertfordshire, I was bellowing orders at my wife and children, manoeuvring the 58ft boat with precision, and puffing and heaving at the lockside while sluicing thousands of gallons of murky water from one stretch of the Grand Union Canal to another. It was easy.

Well, not quite *that* easy. Steering such a formidable vessel, even at 4mph, is a bit daunting. One nudge on the tiller is enough to send you sliding off course. Nudge it the other way and nothing seems to happen until you realise your adjustment is too little too late. Slam the gears into reverse and the boat stops . . . eventually. If you hit something, well, it is not the family car. It is built to take a knock or two.

This canal cruising lark, we decided, was not only great fun, it was good for the soul. A friendliness survives on the waterways that seems to have long since died in all but the tiniest village. You can grin and wave at passing strangers. Canal folk — those people who live in gaily painted boats with names like *Meinzapint* — do it all the time.

Our mini-holiday was full of surprises, the first and best being our magnificent boat. *Rum Tum Tugger*, one of a fleet built and owned by Bridgewater Boats, was a six-berth floating holiday home with a full-size cooker, fridge, stereo, hot and cold running water, a shower and flushing toilets. The lounge and dining area had space enough for the most ardent cat-swinger.

Could anything come between us and four days of idyllic navigation? Yes, our children.

It had occurred to us that canal cruising might not be suitable, or even safe, for a pair of landlubbers with two small and often naughty boys.

The children — non-swimmers but both learning — were fitted with lifejackets and lectured on the various dangers. The consequences of failing to obey instructions were spelt out. Threats were made.

Joseph, aged five, was compliant enough. Robin, a wilful eight-year-old with adolescent tendencies, was the one to watch. We left the boatyard at noon. By two o'clock Robin was showing signs of insubordination. By four o'clock he was refusing to wear his lifejacket. By six o'clock he had fallen into the canal.

The water is quite shallow and he came to no harm, but I confess that it was no thanks to us. Neither of us saw him fall in. We did not even see him climb out. We were too busy negotiating one of a flight of seven locks, our attention diverted only by his sodden figure at the lockside. We bundled him into the shower and guiltily carried on. There were three more locks to go.

That first day had its upside, with the chance to relax and enjoy the beauty of our surroundings. The canal is at its finest between Tring and the Buckinghamshire village of Marsworth. The sun filtered through the lush thickets of bright green, and time seemed to dilly-dally, in keeping with the boat's sloth-like progress. The stretch through Tring is like a long, watery boulevard.

At dusk we tied up by a humpback road bridge and sauntered along the towpath for a pub meal and a calming drink. The next day, we pressed on, unfortunately too far, too quickly. To travel quickly by canal boat may seem a contradiction, but by chugging along, hour after hour, you can easily overdo it.

The ideal is to build up a rhythm of a few miles and a few locks, followed by a long stop to explore the countryside. Our misguided efforts hit bad weather and we became desperate for a space wide enough to turn around and return leisurely to base.

Our children, although not to blame for our folly, were little help. They became bored and retreated below deck to play, squabble and generally add to our sense of guilt.

Emptying and filling the locks is not difficult, and two adults can easily cope. But some gates are stubborn and demand more muscle than persuasion. You become tired and bad tempered.

Trouble seemed to come in job lots. On our worst day, we tacked pathetically along the canal for hours in a fearsome crosswind. We ran aground and despaired of getting free. Later, struggling to drive our mooring pins into the towpath, we dropped our only hammer into the water, and had to strip off and wade in.

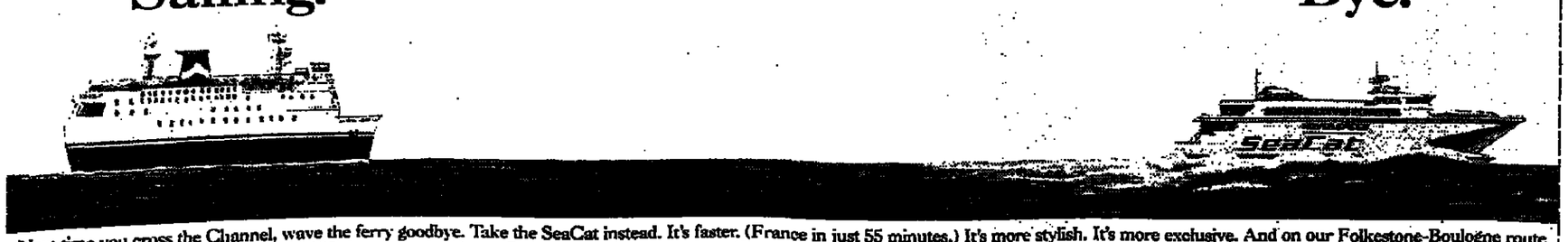
We returned to Berkhamsted after 25 weary miles and 52 locks, a little older and a little wiser. Next time we'll really take it easy.



Solid craft: bright paintwork is traditional on the water

● Alan Kay and his family were guests of Bridgewater Boats, Castle Wharf, Berkhamsted, Hertfordshire HP4 2EB. To hire Rum Tum Tugger costs between £550 and £925 a week, depending on the season. Prices for a part-week begin at £150.

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Divers' delight: 5ft-long giant potato cod fin past majestically off the Barrier Reef

Reef encounter

By land, sea and air, **Judith Parsons** discovers the many wonders of Queensland's Great Barrier Reef

Eighty feet below the sapphire surface of Queensland's Great Barrier Reef, I encountered a colony of giant potato cod of *Alice in Wonderland* proportions. More than 5ft long, with a severe set of the jaw, they converged from all directions, leaving an uncertain sensation on my arm as they finned past in search of food.

Close by, white-tip reef sharks patrolled and a vast moray eel undulated past, teeth displayed in a rictus smile. More than 1,500 species of electric coloured fish shimmered in trees of coral, leaving divers entranced.

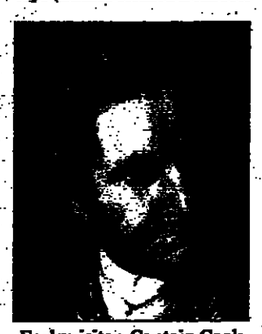
"You must be mad, or very brave, to go diving with sharks," is the usual comment. However, two weeks in Queensland, northern Australia, proved one of the most exhilarating holidays of my life. Going on holiday as a single person is not everyone's idea of a good time, but I thought the Sunshine State would be a treat, and decided to explore the totally different environments of the Barrier Reef and the tropical rainforest.

*To do this, I joined a four-*day diving expedition run by Mike Ball, knowing from previous experience that diving is highly sociable and ideal if you are travelling alone.

Then, for a complete contrast, I opted for Australia's first eco-resort at Kingfisher Bay on Fraser Island, lost in sub-tropical wilderness.

Arriving in Queensland, I selected a colourful shirt, essential for going "troppo" in Cairns, on Queensland's northern coast. An important dive centre for the reef, the town has been accustomed to booms since 1876 — first in gold, tin and sugar rushes, and now in tourism. A frontier spirit hangs in the humidity as divers fly in on their appointed adventures. Mine began at the Cairns Colonial Club, a riot of bamboos and pools, the meeting point for Mike Ball Dive Expeditions. Introductions made, John O'Brien, our dive leader, pointed us to two DHC-6 Twin Otter planes — destination Lizard Island and Supersport, a 90ft luxury dive catamaran.

The reef stretches more than 1,400 miles from Papua New Guinea to Fraser Island, off Queensland. Multi-hued coral cays (islands formed from reef



Early visitor: Captain Cook

sediment and debris), and aquamarine water slipped by *beneath our plane, the richest* biological mix on earth and fiercely protected by the Marine Park Authority.

We were greeted aboard Supersport with a "G'day" from the crew, who were bronzed and good-looking in blue. All were dive masters. Our course was for Port Douglas, 120 miles south through a labyrinth of ribbon reefs. We upped anchor to a lecture on dive-boat protocol and were assigned cabins.

The rousing cry "reef, reef" signalled our first dive. The site was Cod Hole, and the aim was to familiarise with the equipment and new dive "buddy", and swim among the giant potato cod. My buddy, Matthew, was a doctor from Cairns. Now the fun began. Any reservations among the 20 of us, who were as diverse as the reef, vanished.

Diving can be hard work, and the confrontation with your wetsuit is relentless. On this expedition, the four dives a day started before breakfast and ended with a night dive, each dip vividly different.

Examining the catamaran's navigation charts, it was a jolt to discover huge tracts marked "insufficiently surveyed". Our expedition had been no tourist gimmick. Almost nothing had changed since Captain James Cook battled for passage in 1770, and Captain Matthew Flinders first attempted to map the reef in 1801.

On day seven I flew south to Fraser Island, the world's largest sand island. It was like walking into a futuristic film set. The Kingfisher Bay resort is only eight months old and totally camouflaged in the sub-tropical forest — an airy eco-creation in wood and high-tech corrugated iron. The sense of integration with eucalyptus and sand is immediate.

There are no roads here, only sand trails. In his four-wheel drive vehicle, Tracey *Thomas, the operations man*ager, told me: "Tap water is pure, straight from the bore and everything recycled." Bushwalking, birdwatching and helicopter flights were on the menu.

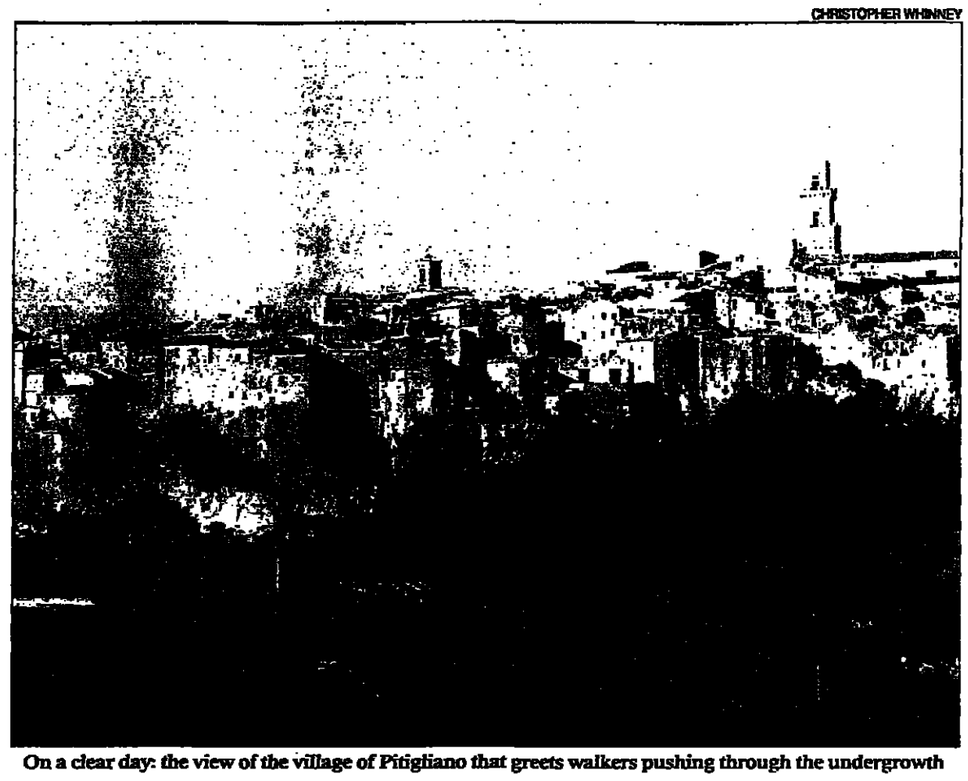
Later, strapped into a helicopter with no doors, I circled high over miles of gum forest and heart-wrenchingly empty beaches.

After waiting years for air fares to fall, the Sunshine State is at long last within the realms of a long-haul budget holiday. Queensland is unpretentious, tropical fun, and the single traveller need have no qualms. My only moment of anxiety was not with reef shark, or even swagmen, but a dingo at dawn, intent on my leather dockshoes.

In central Italy, **Jane Owen** finds blessed relief for body and soul on a walking holiday

Footloose in Tuscany

CHRISTOPHER WHINNEY



On a clear day: the view of the village of Pitigliano that greets walkers pushing through the undergrowth

We are standing in a church after a 12-mile walk through southern Tuscany in searing heat. The building is inviting for its cool interior rather than its history. Our book of walking instructions makes intriguing reading: "Sixty-four steps straight ahead outside the church and turn 45 degrees right through brambles for a *surprise.*"

We push past briar roses and stinging nettles to find a precipitous slope with views across the valley to the picturesque, burnt umber town of Pitigliano teetering on top of a volcanic plug. The view vanishes as we plunge down an overgrown path and arrive, suddenly — surprisingly — at one end of a road cut deep into the rock.

From the top of the ravine, this road is as invisible as it probably was in the 6th or 7th century BC when, so our guide tells us, it was sliced into the solid rock by the ancient Etruscan people.

A huge toad lollops past. At the bottom of the ravine the high-walled road ends, ejecting us towards open land and a small stream. Over the bridge and along the modern asphalt road grinding up to the town, we find houses carved into the rock, chickens pecking in the yards outside, and another ancient road cut deep into the tufa takes us hair-pinning up to a high stone arch and into Pitigliano.

Few local people use this mysterious road network; fewer still understand the British belief in walking for *relaxation*, despite the fact that Christopher Whinney and Phillipa Farrow, of Alternative Travel, have been bringing walking holidays to the top half of Italy since 1980.

As we walk, our luggage is taken from one hotel to the next along the walk and, at noon each day walkers arrive at a beauty spot, to be greeted by a guide holding a tray full of glasses of water. Spread across a red and white cloth, an Italian picnic is waiting: local cheeses, wines and meat with salad, bread and a cornucopia of fruit. All the walker has to carry is drinking water.

Unless, that is, you walk one of the unaccompanied routes, in which case the pre-booked hotel prepares a packed lunch, your human guides are replaced by clear guide-booklets, and your luggage is still moved to the next hotel.

By the third day the fresh air, gentle exercise and good food and wine had begun to revive me, and memories of office life slipped into oblivion. After the picnic lunches, when walkers lay back in the grass to doze, or after the sumptuous evening meals, some of us talked of gardens and Etruscans and ecology and nothing in particular.

Even on the rest days — taken every fourth day — there were outings. Once, a water taxi took us across the lake of Bolsena to a private island, where an Italian prince is making a garden from a wilderness around a partly ruined quadrangle and church.

When I first arrived I was exhausted and wanted to remain silent for two days, although I did not have the courage to walk alone: would anybody be offended if I didn't talk for a while? "No, no," said Ms Farrow, "quite a few of our clients do that. Just walk ahead, or behind, and you should be left alone." On the whole it worked, and I walked in the company of nightingales, cuckoos, hoopoe birds, orchids, wild gladioli, pink-flowered cistus, sweet chestnut, elderflowers and downy-leaved mullein. Can the British countryside really have been as rich as this once, or is that just a sun-tinted childhood memory?

The areas we walked through were all little known and, apparently, untouched by any kind of tourism other than Alternative Travel's discreet invasions. Sometimes the shrubs and flowers enclosed us, like a tunnel, as we pushed through the undergrowth, sometimes the woodland gave way to high plains, dipping down to rolling Tuscan fields edged with hedgerows and streams. Sometimes we explored half-ruined churches, frescos still just visible, or museums full of exquisite Etruscan pottery.

It was a heady mix for body and soul, and I have rarely had such pleasure from a holiday.

GET UP YOUR HEELS

☐ Alternative Travel organises walking holidays in the Cotswolds, France, Italy and Spain. Some specialise in wine, others in wildlife, others, such as the one taken by Jane Owen, are led by guides who specialise in the history, wildlife and food and wine of the area. For more information, contact Alternative Travel Group, 69-71 Banbury Road, Oxford OX2 6PE (0865 310399, fax 0865 310299).

☐ Later this year, the company plans to organise walking holidays for parents of young children. The idea is that parents will leave their children at the Italian seaside with a posse of nannies and helpers, while the parents walk each day. There will probably be a couple of days *en famille* before the walks begin and then an option for one or both parents to return to the children for a couple of hours each day, or to spend the nights with them.

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☐ **Dive equipment/advice in the UK:** Ocean Leisure, 13-16 Northumberland Ave, London WC2N 5AQ (071-930 5050).

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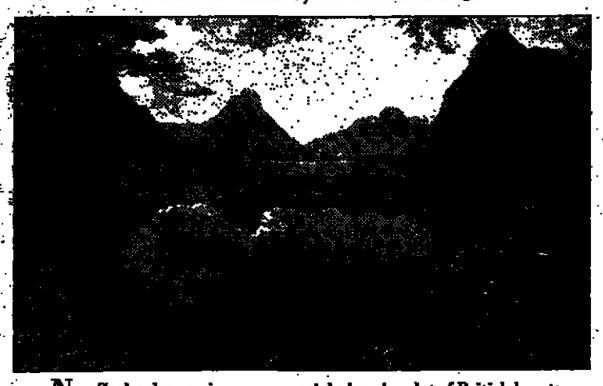
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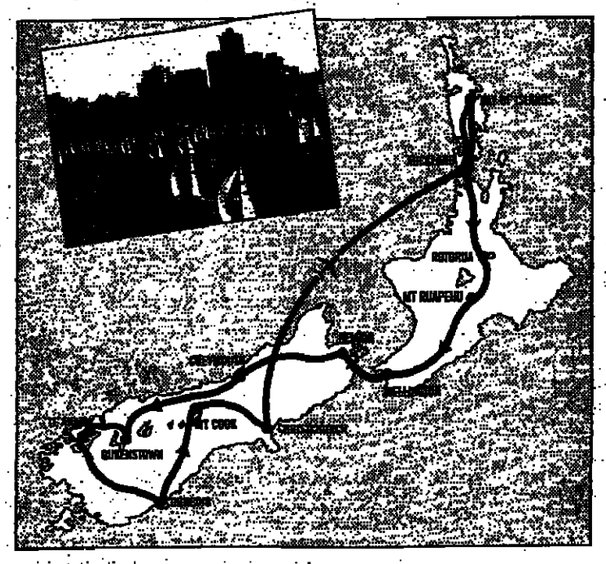
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THE ITINERARY

DAY 1 Fly London (Gatwick) by Air New Zealand to Los Angeles. Arrive in the evening and transfer to the Park Sunset Hotel on Sunset Boulevard for an overnight stay.

DAY 2 Day free to relax in Los Angeles or join our optional visit to the Paul Getty Museum. Evening departure by Air New Zealand to Fiji.

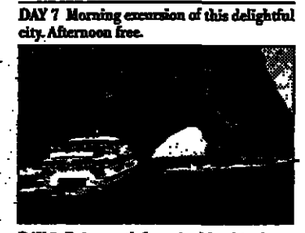
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DAY 4 Nadi, Fiji Arrive and drive to the Regent Hotel for a 2 night stay.

DAY 5 Fiji relax or join the optional island drive.

DAY 6 Continue by Air New Zealand to Auckland. Drive to the Park Royal Hotel for a 2 night stay.

DAY 7 Morning excursion of this delightful city. Afternoon free.



DAY 8 Drive north from Auckland to the spectacularly beautiful Bay of Islands region. Stay two nights in the resort of Paihia. A stop will be made en route at the Waipoua Forest.

DAY 9 Today is free to relax in this most attractive area or join an optional catamaran cruise to Cape Brett.

DAY 10 Drive to Rotorua famous for its thermal springs. A stop for lunch will be made on the way as will a visit to the caves at Waitomo. Here a brief exploration of the caves through the glow-worm grotto will be arranged. Arrive Rotorua in the late afternoon. Stay two nights.

DAY 11 Morning excursion to the geysers and the famous pools of bubbling mud. Later walk through a glade of towering Californian Redwoods at the Forestry Research Institute. Visit the Agrodome to view a demonstration of Sheep-dog trials and on to Rainbow Springs trout reserve, a *delightful spot.*

DAY 12 Depart for the Chateau Tongariro on the Slopes of Mount Ruapehu in the National Park. Stops will be made at Geothermal Valley, the Craters of the Moon — a fascinating area full of fumerols, steaming craters, mud and the feeling of earth in the making. After lunch in Taupo stop at the impressive Huka Falls. Stay overnight at the Chateau Tongariro Hotel.

DAY 13 Depart for Wellington via Flat Hills and Bulls for an overnight stay at the Quality Inn. Afternoon City drive including the Lady Norwood Rose Garden in the Botanic Gardens, Old St Pauls and the Parliament Buildings.

DAY 14 We will take the 10.00 hours ferry from Wellington across to the South Island. Crossing the Cook Strait there are spectacular views. Visit nearby Nelson for sightseeing in and around the city and Tasman Bay. Stay overnight in Nelson.

DAY 15 Drive from Nelson to Greymouth via the Buller Gorge through magnificent mountain scenery for an overnight stay. Afternoon visit to the Mining Museum Town.

DAY 16 Continue by road to the popular resort of Queenstown. Stop on the way at the Franz Joseph Glacier. Then drive via the Haast Pass and Albert Town to the Kingsgate Hotel in Queenstown for a 2 night stay.

DAY 17 A day of rest and relaxation. Optional visit may be taken to the Shotover River. Overnight Queenstown.

DAY 18 From Queenstown our route continues to Te Anau from where we will explore the astonishingly beautiful Milford Sound. See the Mirror Lakes, Gleddau Valley, 'The Chasm' and take a cruise into the Sound from where the awesome beauty of the scenery can be fully appreciated. Overnight at the Vacation Inn Te Anau.

DAY 19 Continue south to the city of Dunedin through lush green farming lands amid gentle hills. Lunch at the small farming town of Gore and on to Dunedin for an overnight stay. Afternoon city drive to include Admiral Bird Lookout for fine views over the city.

DAY 20 Leave Dunedin for Mount Cook. Drive via Roxburgh and Cromwell (Lunch) and through the Lindis Pass and Twizel. (Optional flight to land on the Glacier). Continue to Mount Cook for a 2 night stay.

DAY 21 A day free at Mount Cook to relax *or explore the nature trails.*

DAY 22 Drive from Mount Cook to Christchurch for a 2 night stay at the Kingsgate Hotel. Remainder of day at leisure.

DAY 23 Walking tour of Christchurch visiting the City Hall, Law Courts, Christ's College and on to the Colonists' Museum. In the afternoon visit the Botanic Gardens, one of the finest in Australasia.

DAY 24 Morning flight from Christchurch to Auckland and on to Honolulu arriving in the early hours of the same day, having gained a day by crossing the dateline. Stay 4 nights in Honolulu.

DAYS 25, 26 & 27 At leisure in Hawaii on the Island of Oahu.

DAY 28 Depart Honolulu by Air New Zealand in the early morning. Fly via Los Angeles to London.

DAY 29 London Gatwick arrive.

DEPARTURE DATES AND PRICES PER PERSON

*"22 October; *12 November;
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Price includes: Economy air travel throughout the itinerary, accommodation in first class or comfortable hotels with private bath or shower, breakfast daily (except Honolulu), lunches on days 8, 10, 12, 14, 15, 20, 22, Dinner on days 7 through to 23, excursions as shown, entrance fees, coach travel throughout itinerary, services of Tour Leader.

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A hanging matter

Antique picture frames are affordable again.

Sarah Jane Checkland puts us in the picture

Ever since humans stopped daubing straight on to the wall to express themselves, paintings have been framed. For medieval religious paintings, frames both protected and embellished the image; in the court of Louis XIV their decorative aspect was exaggerated and their rococo curlicues stretched out to the viewer. Napoleon reframed the entire contents of the Louvre in one "house style", and the Victorians mass-produced whatever styles they encountered. But the development of the frame was arrested in the middle of this century, when abstract artists insisted that their works should speak for themselves and declared the frame redundant.

Now, with the return of figurative art, or art containing realistic imagery, the frame is back. But because historic continuity has been broken, we have no idea of suitability.

A trip to the Royal Academy Summer Exhibition proves the point. Among a cacophony of styles, from boxes made of Perspex to ornate frames larded with chocolate-box gilt, horrors include frames covered in 1970s-style hessian and frames with outbreaks of brightly coloured spots. As the senior academician, Carel Weight, says, framing is "an enormous subject with no rules". Clearly we need to devise some.

The first question is "does my picture actually need a frame?" Considerations here can include the artist's wishes, either as specified or in terms of the composition.

Next, the collector needs to decide the function of the frame. Is the picture intended to merge into its surroundings or stand out from them? Will the image be better served by a self-effacing or a flamboyant presentation? Should the frame be new or antique (Picasso's more outlandish works look splendid in traditional old Spanish frames)?

The easiest and cheapest option is the new frame. But beware. Many high-street framers use cheap materials, and keep labour down to the minimum. Your frame may shrink, or — particularly in the case of prints — the image may be damaged by acid from poor quality materials.

An excellent place to find new frames is the Royal Academy. Hidden in its depths is the Academy Framing Shop, run by David Nelson. Here, only top quality materials are used. The craftsmen are generous with their time and happy to give advice. An added bonus is that at any time, one of the academicians might potter in, either to discuss the framing of his or her own works, or to scrounge a cup of tea.

Mr Nelson does confess to "doing battle" with clients (Mr Weight included) when he does not agree with their choice. "I discourage people who come in with scraps of wallpaper and want to mix-and-match."

Because each frame is bespoke, prices are higher than at an ordinary frame shop. Conservation board, or acid-free card which is kind to pictures, can cost £2 a sheet, while "museum board", the best quality of all, is £35 a sheet. Gilded wood mouldings can range from £24 to £30 a foot, while stained wood is about a third of that price. "Once you have a picture framed here you will never have to change it again," Mr Nelson says.

For antique frames, the first port of call must be Paul Mitchell of Bond Street. A shrine to the lost art of frame-making, the entire building hangs with hundreds of them, from floor to ceiling and up the stairs — a surreal counterpoint to the traditional West End gallery, with not a picture in sight.

Mr Mitchell's mission is to return as many historic paintings as he can to the frames of their original period and to avoid reproductions and pastiches. Uniquely knowledgeable on the subject, Mr Mitchell is writing a history of European frames, and frequently supplies the great museums of the world. The National Gallery in London, for example, has just purchased an "exactly right" 16th-century oak frame for the Holbein "Lady with a Squirrel", bought recently from Lord Cholmondeley. "If had a reproduction tortoiseshell frame, and you couldn't see the picture for the frame," Mr Mitchell says.

All are welcome to browse through his photographic archive of "the best and worst" frames he has encountered in his travels. Once a frame type has been decided on, usually by creating a photomontage of what the ensemble will look like, Mr Mitchell will either supply the ideal example from stock or create a marriage which is part original and part newly-carved frame.

Such service can result in a bill of between £2,000 and £40,000. But there is always the added bonus that the antique frame will become an appreciable asset.

For those with time, patience and an idea of what they are looking for, the cheapest place to start for antique frames could be the auction house. The auctioneers forced a boom in frames during the late 1980s by the cunning claim that frames were items of furniture, and as such were underrated, but are now finding the field in the doldrums, so bargains can be found. According to James Rawlins of Phillips, a "serviceable" 18th-century English frame can be found for as little as £100.

With frames now in the picture, there couldn't be a better time to start hunting.

MARTIN BEDDALL



Covering all the angles: "framing is an enormous subject with no rules"

Picture this

- Academy Framing is at the Royal Academy, Piccadilly, London WC1, entrance through the back door of the academy in Burlington Gardens (071-494 5646).
- Phillips, 101 New Bond Street London W1 (071-629 6602). Next sale July 7: 50 lots.
- Bonhams Chelsea, 65 to 69 Lots Road, London SW10 (071-351 7111). Next sale on July 8: 185 good-quality frames.
- Paul Mitchell, 99 New Bond Street, London W1 (071-493 8732). Restoration.

A word to the wise

Blind frame: the frame's invisible structural base.

Cuff: flat intervening strip between the frame profile and the surface of the picture. Particularly popular in the 19th century.

Guilloching: the creation of complex geometric designs.

Mortising: the binding together of two wood pieces with wooden dowels or with triangular corner binders.

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Francesca Greenoak reports on the making of a 14-acre nursery where the trees hold sway

Lofty ideas in lowland


ADRIAN BROOKS

Inventive: Ivan Robinson is proving that a commercial nursery can still be environmentally friendly

While looking for a place to buy the distinctive, spreading, but seldom planted tree *Sorbus domestica*, I learnt from a friend that it was listed by Hartest Plants, a nursery in Suffolk. Investigating further, I found that the nursery's catalogue was a fount of individual flair, listing unusual trees, shrubs and perennials, and striking collections of hardy geranium, iris, and hemerocallis. The discovery prompted a visit.


Striking: *Sorbus domestica*

Suffolk may lack hills, but it compensates by leading the visitor through winding country roads, so that although Hartest is only a few miles south of Bury St Edmunds it has a secret and secluded feel. The nursery (a rape field only two years ago) lies in a shallow bowl of land, with billowing hedges and copses of ash, aspen and field maple signalling its presence. The outer boundaries of native trees give way to a rich hedge of glossy-leaved *Rosa rugosa* around the entrance, emphasising the transition from countryside to garden. Care has been taken to minimise the impact of the business on the surrounding environment. Even the newly built office had been boarded and painted black like a Suffolk barn.

The owner, Ivan Robinson, a tall and weatherbeaten landscape designer, left a senior post in horticulture to fulfil an ambition to grow plants, particularly trees. He also wanted to show that it was possible to run a nursery and a sophisticated show garden on environmentally friendly principles.

"Our plants are grown without harm to the land, and will be bought to improve the landscape," he said, as he showed me the attractive new herbaceous garden and, behind the scenes, the compost and manure bins. Having checked with English Nature about the least damaging herbicides, he uses only glyphosphate on paths and the worst areas of weeds.

As soon as he took over the 14-acre field at Hartest, he began planting and designing. Thousands of trees were dug in, from tiny whips to well-grown Chinese crab apples (*Malus hupehensis*), to make avenues. A pool, nursery beds and a windproof sales area were constructed, while elaborate plans were prepared for woodland gardens, a French parterre, a maze, and rose and herb gardens.

The pond was created last year. Its construction demonstrated an ingenious combination of tradition and technology. The base and sides were not lined but puddled, which means beating the damp clay into an impervious brick-hard surface. In the past, this was done in a variety of ways, all labour intensive. At Hartest they decided to excavate the pond with a JCB and then use its bucket as a kind of knuckle with which to hammer the base and sides. The result is leak-free and natural-looking.

The stepped cascade, made this year, has a synthetic lining because of the eroding effects of running water, but this has been covered with pebbles and the edges softened with waterside plants. Among the pondside trees, an alder drew my attention because of the delicacy of its foliage; a cut-leaved version of the native alder, known as *Alnus glutinosa* "Imperialis", it deserves to be better known.

Besides alders, selected cultivars of willows, dogwoods and poplars, all raised from cuttings, line the nursery field. One of the white willows, which has an unusual brick-coloured stem, may prove to be a new cultivar.

● *Hartest Plants, Gatefields Meadow, Shrimpling, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk IP29 4EX (0284 830171).*

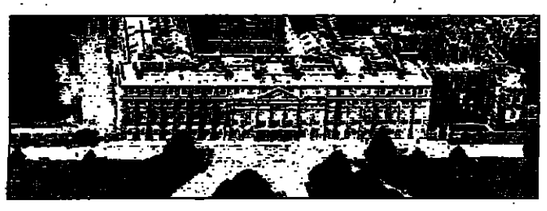
● *Deadhead annuals such as sweet peas, snapdragons, pot marigolds and phlox.*
● *Give houseplants an outdoor holiday, away from sun and wind.*
● *Prune dead wood from older plum trees (choose a dry day to avoid silver-leaf disease).*
● *Take cuttings from pinks: place non-flowering shoots in a sandy compost.*

NO summer garden should be without scented roses. Choose the healthiest, not the biggest, of container-grown plants. Care for their needs until they become established, or leave them in their pots until they have finished flowering. Honeysuckle and summer jasmine are musts for walls in sun or semi-shade.

● *'Gardens to visit' is on page 3.*

Hampton Court flower show offer

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MY PERFECT WEEKEND

RALPH STEADMAN
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Where would you go?
Islay, off the west coast of Scotland.

How would you get there?
I'd get the shuttle to Glasgow, and then Loganair across the water to Islay's little aerodrome.

Where would you stay?
In the cottage kept for visitors to the Bowmore Distillery, which is practically on the edge of the bay in the little town of Bowmore.

Who would be your perfect companion?
My wife, Anna.

What essential piece of clothing or kit would you take?
A pair of green wellies.

What medicine would accompany you?
Anti-nausea pills, antacid for indigestion, malaria tablets and anything else my doctor would give me. You can never be too careful.

What would you have to eat?
I don't often eat meat, but I would certainly have an Angus steak on Saturday night, together with the finest haggis it has ever been my good fortune to eat. For lunch, I would have mussels, crab claws and any other fish that would be fresh in that day at the Harbour Inn in Bowmore.

What would you have to drink?
As an aperitif, a choice of 300 different kinds of malt whisky, which they serve at the Lochside Hotel in Bowmore, followed by Rhône wine — a Crozes-Hermitage 1985, if I could get it, or a Château de Beaucastel.

Which books would you take to read?
The writings of H.L. Mencken, the great journalist from the *Baltimore Star*, and the collected works of Robert Louis Stevenson.

What music would you listen to?
Anything by Joe Cocker, and bagpipes to catch the mood.

Would you play any games or sport?
Since I swim twice a day whenever possible at home, I would take a dip in the sea and gambol with the seals.

What luxury would you take?
Art materials, should there be time to settle awhile and take in the views across the island and the craggy types who huddle in the feastie silence of dark pubs.

What piece of art would you like to have there?
The paintings of the waterlilies at Giverny by Claude Monet.

Who would be your least welcome guest?
A double-glazing, burglar alarm or encyclopaedia salesman or a Jehovah's Witness at the door.

Which newspapers or journals would you read?
I would not want to see a newspaper of any kind.

What three things would you leave behind?
The telephone, a forwarding address and my anxieties.

What three things would you most like to do?
1. Walk across country from Bowmore to Caol Ila to visit the distillery and sample a wee dram, and on to Bunnahabhainn to visit the distillery there, since these are the only two on the island I have not visited. 2. Take the ferry to Jura. 3. Wander along the River Laggan.

To whom would you send a postcard?
My mother and my children and one or two friends who complain that I never keep in touch.

What souvenir would you bring home?
A piece of driftwood for sculpture.

What would you like to find when you got home?
That the Tories had been forced to resign on a referendum vote.

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EXPEDITIONS

Camping it up the Duke's way

Teenage enthusiasms wax and wane, but the Duke of Edinburgh's Award challenge still attracts thousands each year. Sally Baker reports

If you go down to the woods today or tomorrow, watch out — the warmer weather has brought out bunches of teenagers, and not all of them are snogging in the undergrowth. Some are engaged on the worthier pursuit of the Duke of Edinburgh's award, and are venturing into the great outdoors at weekends on camping expeditions.

They are easily identified. Often pale and blinking in the unaccustomed daylight, they travel in groups of four or more, decked out in an assortment of gear that they imagine to be the *dernier cri* in yomping chic, and staggering under the weight of outsized rucksacks. They can often be seen collapsed in a hedgerow, stuffing down chocolate bars while one of them probes the mysteries of a compass.

If spotted, on no account approach them. They are likely to mug you for your jacket, or at the very least demand a lift to the nearest Pizza Hut, and this is not in keeping with the spirit of the enterprise.

Inspired by his Gordonstoun schooldays, the Duke of Edinburgh set up his award scheme in 1956 to "... provide an introduction to worthwhile leisure activities and voluntary service; as a challenge to the individual to discover the satisfaction of achievement; and as a guide for those people and organisations who would like to encourage the development of their younger fellow citizens". Since then the scheme has spread to 50 countries and involved some two million young people. In Britain each year 170,000 take part, coming into the scheme mainly via school groups, but also through colleges, youth clubs, cadet units, detention centres (the probation service is currently promoting the scheme among young offenders), factories and shops.

At Tunbridge Wells Girls' Grammar School in Kent, Gillian Norris is head of biology and head of year nine. She has also been co-ordinating the school's Duke of Edinburgh's Award scheme for almost 20 years. When she arrived at the school, armed with some experience of youth work in London, there were clear sex divisions. "In those days boys went on camping expeditions, but girls only had to do a one-day seven-mile walk," she says. "Instead they used to do something called design for living, which was about make-up and fashion and health.

"Now there are no differences — except that on their 50-mile gold walk, girls can have their gear transported. In practice they don't, because if you're out on the hills you need your tent with you, not miles away." Now, she says, the scheme is more popular with girls than boys, especially at bronze level — "possibly because girls are more prepared to give up the time".

There are three levels: bronze (starting from the age of 14), silver (15) and gold (16), and four sections have to be completed: service, expeditions, skills and physical recreation. All awards must be completed by the age of 25.

Far from losing its appeal in the face of more instantly gratifying outlets for teenage attention, the award is attracting increasing numbers. This year Mrs Norris has 78 girls doing bronze, 42 silver and 39 gold. She recognises that location plays a part, however. "When I started in London in the late 1960s and early 1970s, there was plenty of money available for youth work. You could do what you wanted. Now youth funds are being cut back all the time. I'm lucky in this area — we've got very generous parents and I can charge a realistic sum for the hire of equipment."

Participants' motives are perhaps less pure these days than when the scheme began. Now many youngsters are encouraged to gain D of E experience so as to convey an impressively rounded character at a job or university interview. This can affect their attitude towards the enterprise. Mrs Norris says: "About 10 per cent of those who start are a bit of a trial, you have to chivvy them. I discourage the people I think are doing it for the wrong reasons. They have to be committed. When I introduce the scheme, I ask pupils about their motives. If they say they want to improve their career prospects, I say that's OK, but if they go for a job or a university place armed with their gold award, they'll be expected to live up to the commitment and enthusiasm it implies. If they can't, they'll be a disappointment to their tutors or employers — their expectations will be dashed."



Off to do some field work

Above all, she still enjoys seeing how participants respond to the challenge. "There's one girl at the moment who is not academic at all, but out on the hills she just never loses her sense of humour, her determination," she says. "It's her element. She manages to carry other people. That's the reward."

All activities must be carried out in leisure time. So far this term alone, Mrs Norris has given up every weekend bar one to assess or accompany groups on expeditions, as well as spending seven days of the Easter holidays with a gold group in the Lake District, and five days with a silver group on the South Downs.

The scheme also represents quite a commitment for a teenager. My 14-year-old daughter Erin, a pupil at the school, started her bronze award at the beginning of year ten (the old fourth form). For her service element she worked at a local veterinary practice on Saturday mornings for eight weeks, keeping a log and writing an essay on her experience. The vet also wrote an assessment of her contribution. The skills element covers anything from computing and cookery to driving and drama — Erin plans to demonstrate sustained effort in the church choir — and for physical recreation her school netball commitment will be accepted.

While the scheme lays equal emphasis on all four sections, Mrs Norris believes that, ultimately, participants get more out of the service challenge. However, the expeditions are what they remember best. Erin is still nursing the blisters from her training expedition a few weeks ago, when she and three others, with adult supervision, completed a 15-mile cross-country walk. But painful feet apart she enjoyed it hugely, and is looking forward to the real thing in July, when they will be unaccompanied — although spied on by an assessor somewhere along the way.

Accidents do happen, but Mrs Norris failed to produce any real "lost on Dartmoor" horror stories. The worst injury she could recall was when a participant woke in her sleeping bag one morning, stretched her arms vigorously — and punched her tent-mate in the face, dislocating her jaw.





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On the piste: skiers take to the slopes to ski on grass — "the worst injury is likely to be a twisted knee or ankle. Because the skis are short, you are unlikely to break a leg"

Pastures new for skiers

Mary Wilson finds the hills are alive with the whirr of grass-skiing

SPORTING LIFE

As I walked along the track leading to Butser Hill on the South Downs, I heard a strange whirring sound, which rose and fell in pitch, was silent and then started up again.

I rounded the corner and saw the source: a girl with short auburn hair, wearing a black slalom helmet. She had ski poles in her hands and on her feet a pair of peculiar stubby skis. She moved towards a towrope leading up the hill, clipped herself on, and was pulled slowly up the slope and out of sight.

The sport is grass-skiing and the venue Queen Elizabeth Park, near Petersfield in Hampshire. Every weekend from Easter to September, grass-skiers come out of hibernation all over the country. Theirs is a sport that can be done by young and old with very little outlay.

All you need is a steep grassy hill, ideally on chalk and grazed by sheep (cattle make too many potholes). Standard ski-boots and poles are used. The grass-skis run on a continuous belt like a caterpillar track — this is what makes the strange noise when they are running. Because of the way the belts work, the grass is not damaged by the skis.

Grass-skiing is good discipline for snow-skiers, and many alpine skiers use it in the summer for practice. Grass-skis are much shorter than snow-skis, 50-80cm as opposed to two metres, so your balance has to be better and your skiing position more controlled. If you can ski on grass, you will find snow-skiing easy. Moving from snow to grass is not quite so simple, as Randall Williams, the chairman of the English Ski Council, found.

"This is my first time grass-skiing," he says. "It's great fun, and although I'm a proficient snow-skier, I am finding it surprisingly difficult to keep the balance correct. Getting your weight right is critical."

The techniques are similar to snow-skiing. You sidestep to climb a hill, use your weight to carve a turn on edged skis, but there is no "grassplough" for stopping. You either turn uphill or fall over. Michaela Blake, who went snow-skiing for the first time in February, says: "I have grass-skied for just over a year, and I love it, although I still have a lot to learn. It's a great way to spend a Sunday. And when I first tried on snow, it really helped. I found I was streets ahead of people in my class. I knew how to turn, how to balance. The only thing I had to learn was how to snowplough."

Bob Thomas, who reckons he is quite a reasonable snow-skier, was very wary of the grass-skis. "I asked for the slowest skis they had," he says. "It's not so much technique as

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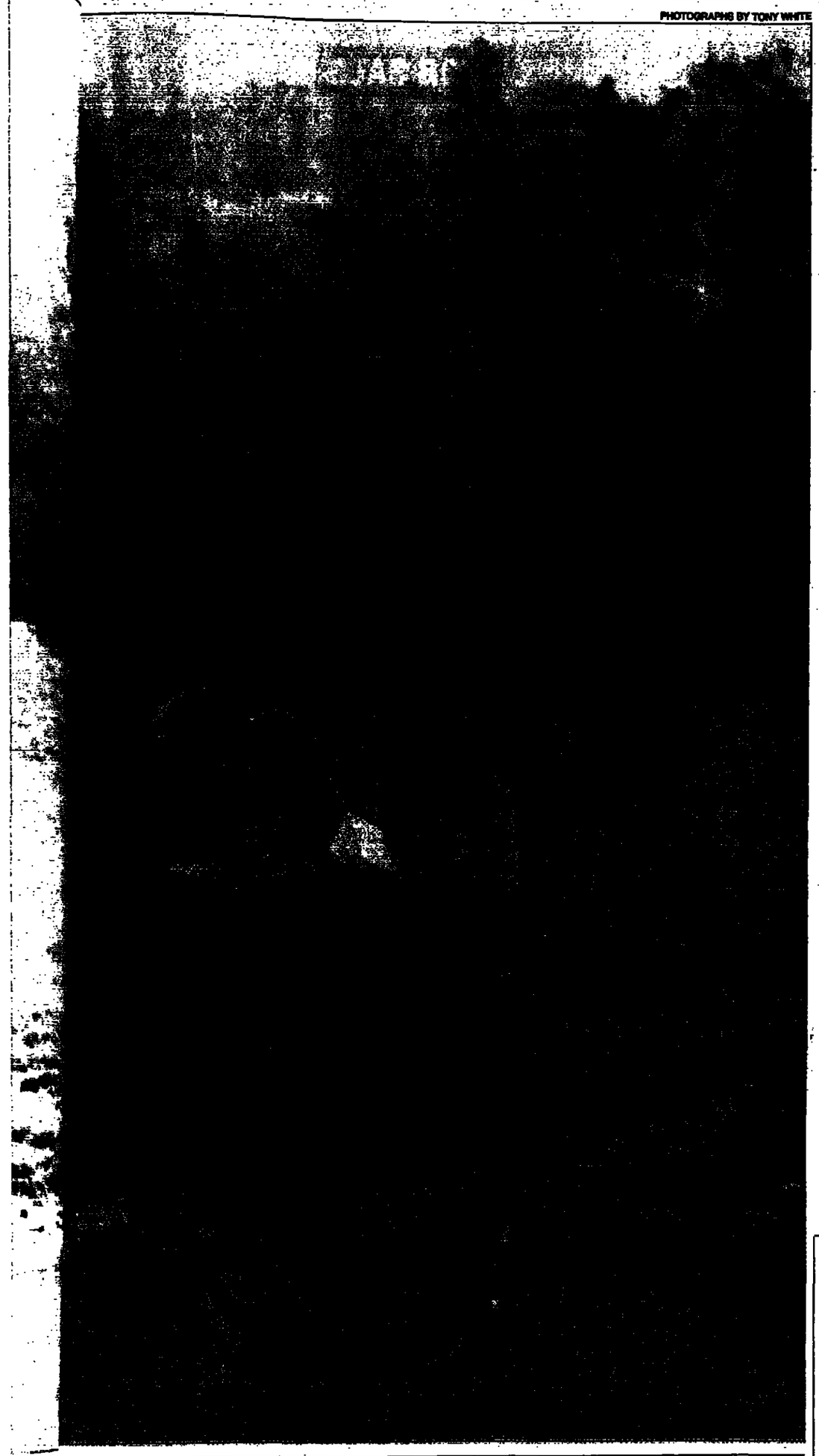
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How to get involved



Bleary dawn chorus: Katharine and Erin break camp

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Cost: A fee (currently £1.50 for bronze and silver awards, £2 for gold) is payable on entering the scheme to cover the cost of the entrance pack and [illegible].

Activities: At all three levels the choice of activity is wide. The [illegible] just a sample of the [illegible] can choose [illegible]. At bronze level [illegible] must be able to walk, or 70 miles by [illegible] other like [illegible] increased to three days camping, 100 miles for cyclists, and over more demanding terrain. At gold it is four days, 50 miles (20 cycling), and [illegible] that the handbook calls "wild country". At this level a set of waterproofs [illegible] of well broken-in boots are strongly [illegible] cross need [illegible].

Skills: Participants are required to show individual progress and sustained interest over a period of time. Categories include communications; crafts; graphic arts; music; nature and pets; needlecrafts; recreative skills; transportation.

Physical recreation: The possible activities include everything done in schools and much more: the handbook contains the full list.

great; for Erin's training expedition, we paid about £15 to hire some items of camping equipment from the school.

Service: Community service includes such things as working with children, fund-raising, or helping the sick. Or participants can undertake, depending on local resources, specialised training in such things as animal care, lifeboat service, mountain rescue, road safety or first aid.

FAR LEFT

Rona Baccelas, aged 15, cleans up after supper — various prepared pasta dishes were on the menu as well as chow mein and hot dogs in buns, followed by chocolate mousse, cookies, cheese, and even rice pudding with custard. Stoves and fuel bottles were hired from the school.

MAIN PICTURE

From left, Katharine Talbot, aged 14, Jo Hayden, 15, and Erin Baker, 14, discussing which way up to hold the map. Leggings or joggers are ideal legwear; denim jeans are a bad idea, as they tend to rub, and take too long to dry when wet.

BELOW

Jo Hayden packs her rucksack after a night under canvas. At bronze level all equipment must be carried, but the handbook advises that an individual should not try to carry more than a quarter of his or her own body weight. In addition to food, camping equipment and spare clothing, maps, torches, first aid kit, notebook and pencil and waterproofs must be packed.



SIMON WALKER



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Keeping track

British Ski Federation, 256 Main Street, East Calder, West Lothian EH53 0EE (0506 884343).

Venues: There are about 35 venues, from caravan parks to farms or outdoor activity centres which run grass ski centres. The four main clubs are at Petersfield, Sheffield, Bristol and Gwent.

Racing: There are regular club events and three national championships. The first national will be at the Butser Club on June 19-20; the second at Tiverton, near Bristol, July 17-18; the finals at Sheffield, September 25-26.

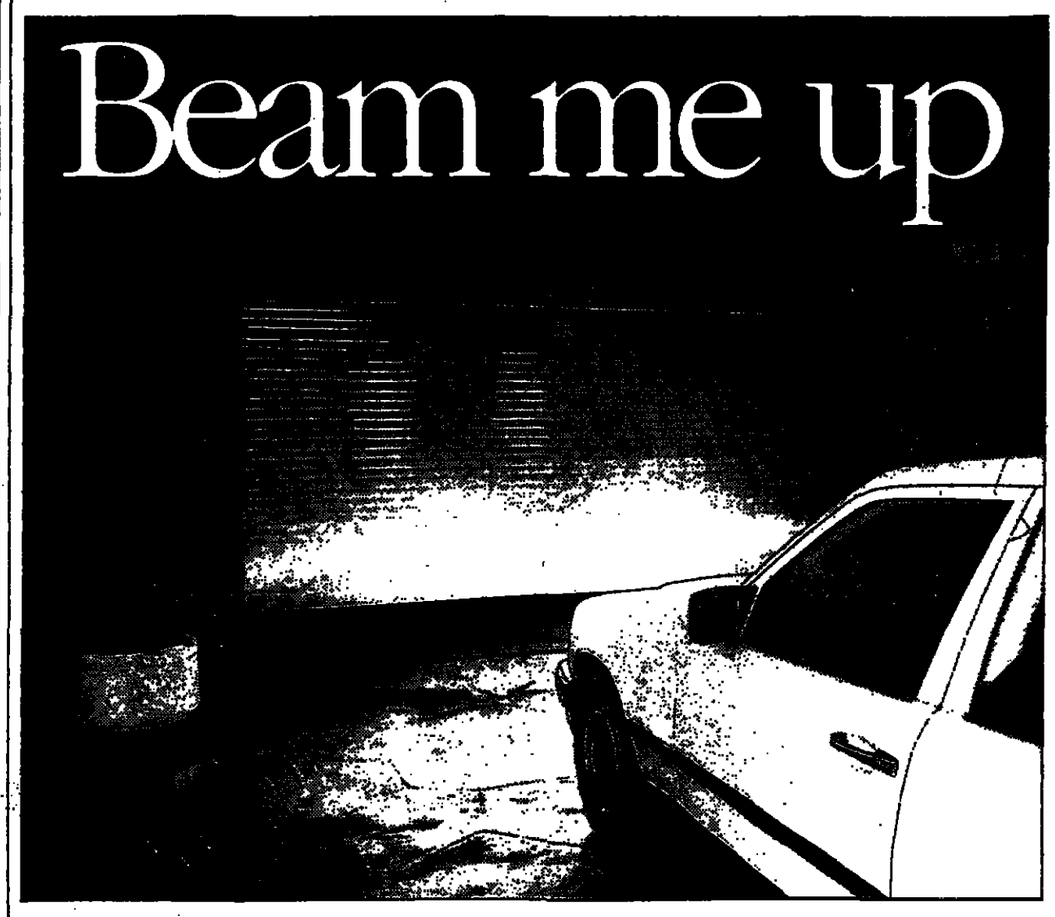
Cost: Club memberships cost about £20 a year, which covers the use of the ski-tow. New skis cost between £150 and £300, but second-hand ones can be bought for £40 to £50. Hire at Butser Hill for skis, boots and poles starts at £2.50 an hour.



In gear: getting ready to brave the grassy slopes

Equipment: Grass-skis come in two sizes, 50cm and 90cm. A continuous belt attached to nylon rollers runs around bolted-metal rail. The bottom rail of the ski is curved like a rocker and, when the skis are edged this rail forms a curved arc on the ground. The only maintenance required is washing the skis and oiling the rollers.

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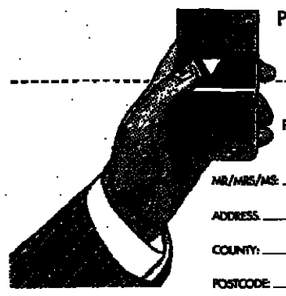


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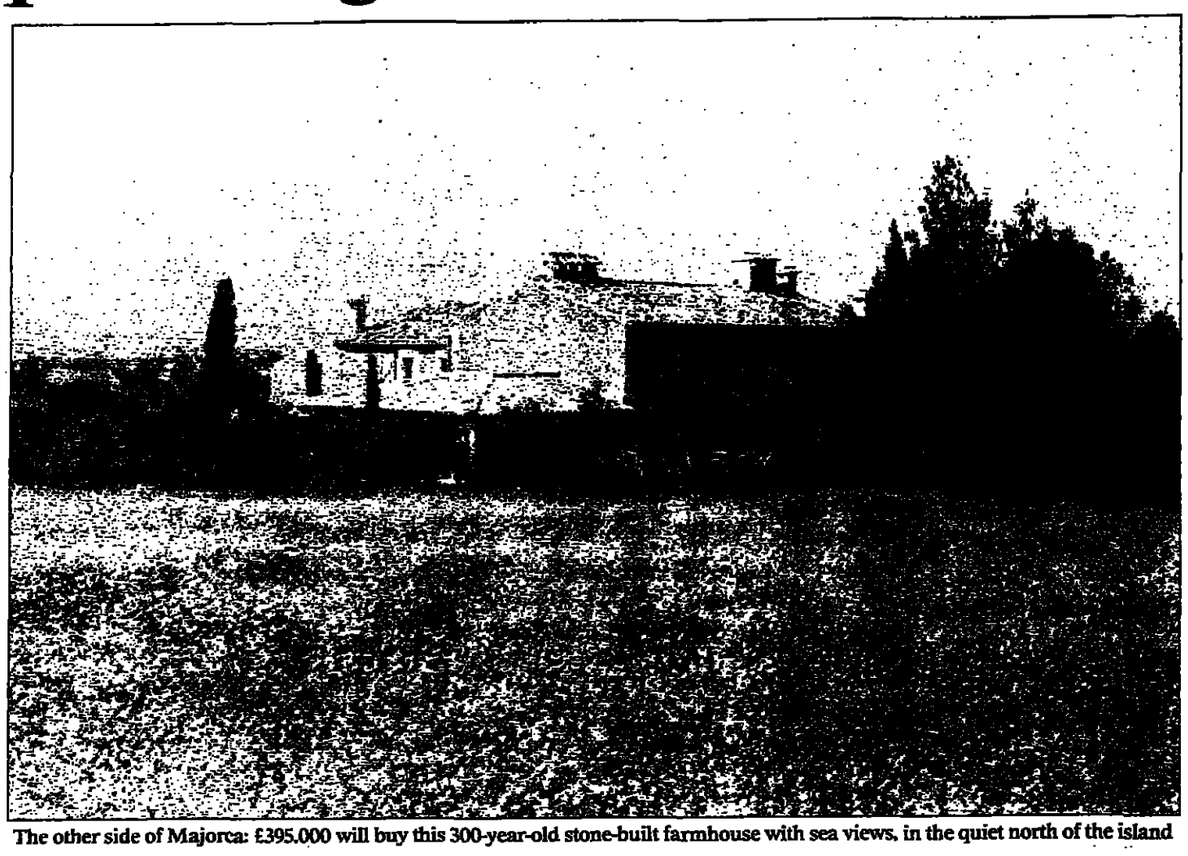
Squeezing out the louts

Majorca is moving up-market, and much of the island *remains to be* explored and enjoyed



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The nearest sandy beach is five minutes' drive away — a similar distance from Pollensa golf course and yacht marina; the airport at Palma can be reached in 45 minutes. The UK agent is Whiteway Properties, 12 High Street, Knaresborough, North Yorkshire (0423 865892).

Majorca is the largest of Spain's Balearic islands, and the traditional stamping ground of the beer and chips brigade of British holiday-makers. That could change, however — Majorca is moving up-market.

High-rise concrete hotels and apartment blocks are being demolished and replaced by villa-type complexes, beaches are being widened and promenades spruced up, as the Spanish government pours millions of pesetas into a clean-up campaign to control the impact of tourism on the island — and to protect its future income.

A new room-sharing law has been introduced. The system of paying a set tariff for a family room was abused. Payment is now for a maximum of two adults, although children under 12 are still allowed to share the room.

Tighter planning controls, such as the "100m rule", which forbids development within 100m of the coastline, could push up costs further.

This is just one side of Majorca. Less publicised are its residential charms; it is a surprisingly large island, with nearly 300 miles of coastline, much of it unspoilt, and a rustic interior, where package tourists rarely venture, and which is now being explored by prospective property buyers.

Only the southern strip of the island caters for the tourist trade. Inland, there are high mountains, handsome villas, high prices and a colony of expatriates. An old house, fully restored, on a hillside with fine views and fig trees will cost from £300,000 to more than £2 million.

Of course, there are plenty of cheaper properties, especially in densely populated tourist resorts around the capital, Palma, where older out-of-centre studios change hands for less than £20,000. A one-bedroom seaside flat can cost as little as £25,000, and a two-bedroom villa from £70,000.

The most prestigious development in the south of the island is the 850-acre Bendinat estate, along the coast from Palma. Central to the estate is the élite Anchorage Club, founded by Prince Alfonso von Hohenlohe. The club, with its private pool, restaurant, library and piano bar, reeking of old money, is strictly members only, but residents are invited to join — for a fee.

Apartments at the Anchorage Village, built in old Mediterranean style, with faded colour-washed walls, misshapen beams and rustic roof tiles, have almost sold out, priced from £120,000 to £277,000 for a two-bedroom, two-bathroom flat. Resales are available from £100,000 for a one-bedroom flat, rising to £350,000 for a three-bedroom, split-level penthouse.

Inland, beside the Royal Bendinat Golf Course (King Juan Carlos plays there), villa plots with a choice of designs and views around the bay cost from £220,000 for a three-bedroom house with pool, including the cost of the land.

Further west, a 3,000-acre leisure estate is being developed at Santa Ponsa Nova, about 20 minutes' drive from Palma airport. There are two international golf courses, with another three planned; two marinas; a 21-court tennis centre; an equestrian centre; and new hotels, villas and apartments.

One of the most attractive new housing projects at Santa Ponsa is Los Pampanos (young vine branches), a group of old-style Spanish houses, clustered around sub-tropical gardens, cooled by tiny fountains and palm-fringed pools. The 57 two and three-bedroom apartments here are priced from £155,000 to £3450,000. Lavish interiors include marble floors, designer kitchens, en-suite bathrooms, sun terraces and roof-top pools.

Majorca is the best of the Spanish islands for communications. It has an up-to-date telephone system and a good supply of direct-dial lines. There are regular scheduled flights to most European cities throughout the year, with cheap charter deals also on offer.

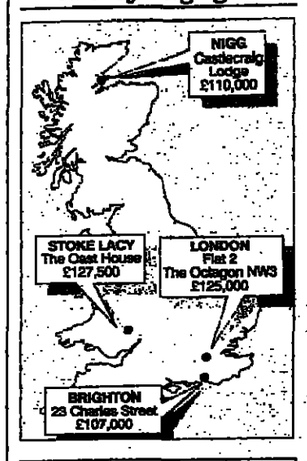
On the down side, winter temperatures are decidedly cool, and when the weather hots up, so do the tourists.

CHERYL TAYLOR

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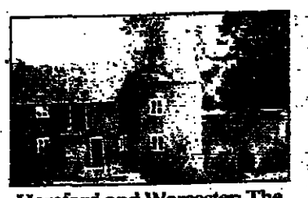
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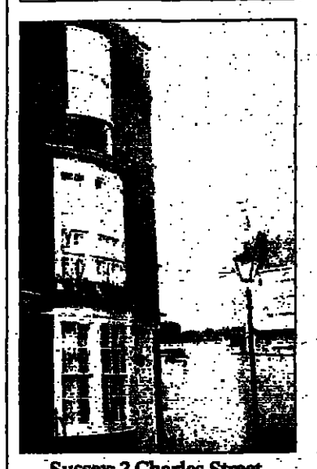




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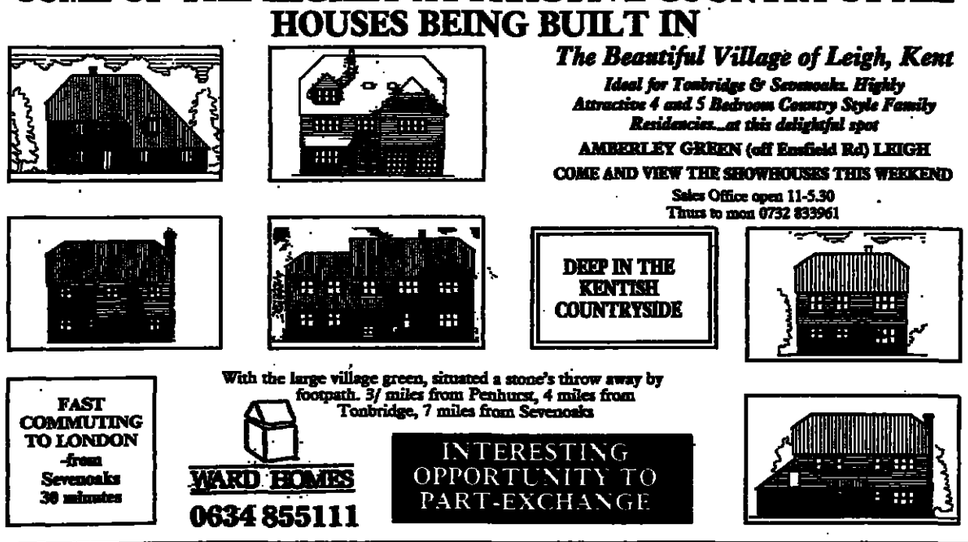
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CRAZY FOR YOU: Thrillingly staged new version of the Gershwin musical *Girl Crazy*. **Prince Edward**, Old Compton Street, W1 (071-734 8951). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Thurs, Sat, 3pm.

ELEGIES FOR ANGELS, PUNKS AND RAGING QUEENS: Regina Fong, Kim Criswell, Simon Fanshawe, Lily Savage plus 22 others in poignant yet very funny celebration of friends now dead from Aids. **Criterion**, Piccadilly Circus, W1 (071-839 4488). Now previewing, Mon-Thurs, 8pm, Fri, 6pm and 8.45pm, Sat, 4.30pm and 8pm; opens June 28, 7pm.



In memoriam: Lily Savage from Elegies for Angels . . .

THE GIFT OF THE GORGON: Blazing performance by Judi Dench in Peter Shaffer's RSC success. **Wyndham's**, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (071-867 1116). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mat Sat, 3pm.

LYSISTRATA: Geraldine James in Peter Hall's production where organs and actions are called by their proper (improper?) names. **Old Vic**, Waterloo Road, SE1 (071-928 7616). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Wed, 3pm, Sat, 5pm.

OLEANNA: David Suchet, Lia Williams in a new Mamet play, in which an academic is sewn up by a feminist. Harold Pinter directs. **Royal Court**, Sloane Square, SW1 (071-730 1745). Previews from Thurs, 8pm; opens June 30, 8pm.

PRESENT LAUGHTER: Tom Conti directs and stars in Noël Coward's virtual self-portrait. **Globe**, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (071-494 5065). Previewing eves, 7.45pm; opens Wed, 7pm.

SEPARATE TABLES: Peter Bowles and Patricia Hodge head a fine cast in a Rattigan revival directed by Peter Hall. **Albery**, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-867 1115). Previews from Wed, 8pm; opens July 5, 7pm; then Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs, 3pm and Sat, 4pm.

THE WINTER'S TALE: Noble's production opened to mixed reviews at Stratford last year. With John Nettles and Richard McCabe. **Barbican**, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 8891). Previews tonight, Mon, Tues, 7.15pm; opens Wed, 7pm; then in repertoire.

REGIONAL

CHICHESTER: Susan Hampshire stars with Sarah Brightman in Tim Luscombe's revival of Coward's *Relative Values*. **Festival Theatre**, Oaklands Park (0243 781312). This week: Fri and Sat, 7.30pm, mat Sat, 2.30pm.

EDINBURGH: All three of this season's farces are now in the repertoire: Ben Travers's *Rookery Nook*, in which innocent hospitality in a country house is mistaken for adultery (Mon, Tues); Michael Frayn's backstage comedy *Noises Off* (Wed, Thurs); and *A Little Hotel on the Side*, vintage Feydeau translated by John Mortimer (Fri, next Sat). **Royal Lyceum**, Grindlay Street (031-229 9697), eves, 8pm.

STADHAMPTON: Sealed Knot recreate the 1643 Civil War in *The Battle of Chalgrove Field*. **Ascott Park** (off B480). Today and tomorrow; midday-8pm.

FILM

ARMY OF DARKNESS (15): Exuberant horror parody from Sam Raimi. With Bruce Campbell. **MGM Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **MGM Haymarket** (071-839 1527) **MGM Oxford Street** (071-636 0310) **MGM Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332).

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GROUNDHOG DAY (PG): Bill Murray always wakes up to the same day in Harold Ramis's marvellously fresh comedy. **MGM Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **MGM Shaftesbury Avenue** (071-836 6279) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Mezzanine** (0426 915683) **West End** (0426 915574) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332).

MAP OF THE HUMAN HEART (15): Vincent Ward's visually bracing but muddled love-triangle drama. Jason Scott Lee, Patrick Bergin, Anne Parillaud. **Lumière** (071-836 0691).

MATINEE: Joe Dante's engaging send-up of 1960s horror pictures, with John Goodman. **MGM Haymarket** (071-839 1527) **MGM Oxford Street** (071-636 0310).

SAVAGE NIGHTS: A frenzied love story and an HIV-positive hero, based on the film's deceased writer-director-star, Cyril Collard. **Camden Plaza** (071-485 2443) **Chelsea** (071-351 3742/3743) **Gate** (071-727 4043) **Metro** (071-437 0757) **MGM Tottenham Court Road** (071-636 6148) **Screen on the Green** (071-226 3520).

SOFIE (15): Karen-Lise Mynster as a Jewish woman in late 19th-century Denmark. Liv Ullmann's skilful directorial debut. **Curzon Mayfair** (071-465 8865).

THE STORY OF QIU JU (12): Zhang Yimou's wonderful, simple film about a peasant woman (Gong Li) seeking justice. **Barbican** (071-638 8891) **Curzon West End** (071-439 4805).

UNTAMED HEART (15): Tony Bill's greatly endearing, off-beat romance. With Marisa Tomei, Christian Slater. **MGM Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **MGM Oxford Street** (071-636 0310) **MGM Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3332).



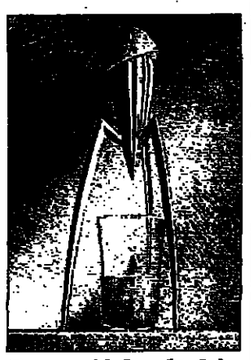
Regal performance: King Pleasure begins a tour with his Biscuit Boys (see Music)

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LONDON

TURNER'S PAINTING TECHNIQUES. The latest in the Tate Gallery's temporary shows of Turner's work concentrates on the evolution of his art, from traditional beginnings to the freer works which impressed Monet. **Tate Gallery**, Millbank, SW1 (071-821 1313). Mon-Sat 10am-5.50pm, Sun 2-5.50pm, opens Tues to Oct 10.

STARCK: Philippe Starck has been among the most talked-about designers working in Mitterrand's France, his work ranging from important architectural and interior design projects to toothbrushes, computer disc drives, crystal vases and pasta. The



Orange aid: Starck's *Juicy Salif* (1990), a witty classic

whole display has been designed by Starck himself. **Design Museum**, Butler's Wharf, SE1 (071-403 6933). Mon-Fri, 10.30am-5.30pm, Sat, Sun, 10.30am-6.30pm, until Oct 3.

HIGH LIFE AND LOW ART: *The Studio*, the most influential of all British art magazines, was first published in 1893. This show celebrates the centenary with an extraordinary collection of 1890s art and design including Beardsley drawings and Beerbohm caricatures. **Victoria & Albert Museum**, Cromwell Road, SW7 (071-589 6371). Mon, midday-6pm, Tues-Sun, 10am-5.50pm, opens Wed to Oct 31.

225TH SUMMER EXHIBITION: In the last couple of years, there has been a more comfortable integration of abstract with representational and some more lively sculpture. **Royal Academy of Arts**, Piccadilly, W1 (071-439 7438). Daily, 10am-6pm, until Aug 15.

PARIS POST WAR — ART AND EXISTENTIALISM 1945-65: The heady atmosphere of Paris immediately after the second world war is evoked in a show which centres on the work of Alberto Giacometti and Wols. Around them were Picasso and Dubuffet, but also figures such as Jean Aglion. **Tate Gallery**, Millbank, London SW1 (071-821 1313). Mon-Sat, 10am-5.50pm, Sun, 2-6.50pm, until Sept 5.

GEORGIA O'KEEFFE/JAMES TURRELL: An odd mating of avant-garde painter O'Keeffe and Turrell, who transforms interiors with coloured light. **Hayward Gallery**, South Bank, SE1 (071-921 0873). Daily, 10am-6pm (Tues, Wed to 8pm), until next Sun.

REGIONAL

GEORGE WALTON: Though usually overshadowed by his great contemporary, Charles Rennie Mackintosh, Walton (1867-1933) was a considerable architect and designer of interiors, furniture and fabrics. This is the first extensive show of his work. **Art Gallery and Museum**, Kelvingrove, Glasgow (041-357 3929). Mon-Sat, 10am-5pm, Sun, 11am-5pm, until Sept 19.

RECENT BRITISH SCULPTURE: This South Bank touring show celebrates the sculptors who came to prominence in the 1980s, including Tony Gragg, Richard Deacon and Richard Wentworth (see Evenings Out). **Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art**, Edinburgh (031-556 8921). Mon-Sat, 10am-5pm, Sun, 2-5pm, until next Sun.

MY IMAGINATION TOOK A JOURNEY: Though remembered as a portraitist, George Romney's drawings take us into a world of *sturm und drang*. **Fitzwilliam Museum**, Cambridge (0223 332900). Tues-Fri, 2-5pm, Sat, 10am-5pm, Sun, 2.15-5pm, until Sept 19.

DANCE

TANGO PARA DOS: The tango has come a long way since its origins among the pimps and prostitutes of Buenos Aires. Now dressed up — and cleaned up — the blend of dancer, singer and musician has become fashionable as raunchy entertainment for theatregoers. Tango Para Dos is a young Argentinian troupe making its British debut with this visit. They bring 33 pieces of work that trace the history of the tango. **Sadler's Wells Theatre**, Rosebery Avenue, London, EC1 (071-278 8916), Tues-next Sat, 7.30pm.

LONDON CITY BALLET: Harold King's troupe has already announced its closure, set for July 3, so the final two weeks of its summer tour will be the last for the 15-year-old company. LCB moves to Aberdeen with Ben Stevenson's pleasing production of *Romeo and Juliet*, one of the company's most popular offerings. **His Majesty's Theatre**, Rosemount Viaduct, Aberdeen (0224 641122), Tues-next Sat, 7.45pm, mat next Sat, 2.30pm.

MUSIC

CLASSICAL

LONDON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Pierre Boulez conducts the LSO in two programmes (each given twice) surveying some of the key works in the history of modern music: the first (tonight and tomorrow, 7.30pm) combines Schoenberg's *Five Orchestral Pieces*, Op 1, Bartók's Piano Concerto No 1 (with Daniel Barenboim as the soloist), and Stravinsky's *Rite of Spring* (1947 version, revised 1965): the second (Thurs and next Sat, 7.30pm) brings together Stravinsky's Symphonies of Wind Instruments, Debussy's *Jeux*, Webern's Six Pieces for Orchestra, Op 6, and Schoenberg's *Erwartung* (with Jessye Norman). **Barbican**, Silk Street, London, EC2 (071-638 8891).

SPITALFIELDS FESTIVAL: This enterprising and wide-ranging festival continues until June 30. Among this weeks highlights are a concert of Monteverdi madrigals given by the Consort of Musicke under the direction of Anthony Rooley (Tues, 7.30pm) and a performance of William Walton's short opera *The Bear*, for which the Northern Sinfonia under Richard Hickox are joined by a cast that includes Della Jones and Alan Opie (Thurs, 7.30pm) **Christ Church**, Commercial Street, London, EC1 (071-377 1362).

OPERA

GLYNDEBOURNE FESTIVAL OPERA: No picnics on the lawn this year: Glyndebourne is closed while the new opera house is being built, instead there is a season in exile starting with Berlioz's *Béatrice et Bénédict* (Mon, Wed, Fri, 7.30pm) and Beethoven's *Fidelio* (Tues, Thurs, next Sat, 7.30pm). Andrew Davis conducts the Berlioz, with an outstanding cast including Anne Sofie von Otter, Jerry Hadley and Dawn Upshaw. Roger Norrington, standing in for Klaus Tennstedt, conducts *Fidelio*. **Festival Hall**, South Bank, London, SE1 (071-928 8800).

MIDLAND BANK PROMS WEEK: Covent Garden's welcome annual exercise in greater accessibility this year features further performances of the current revivals of *Tosca* (Mon, Wed, Fri 7.30pm, with Catherine Malfitano in the title role) and *Attila* (Tues, Fri 8pm, with Samuel Ramey in splendid form), and the first night of a new run for Bill Bryden's acclaimed production of Janáček's *The Cunning Little Vixen* (Thurs, 8pm with Lillian Watson as the Vixen and Bernard Haitink in the pit). **Royal Opera House**, Covent Garden, London, WC2 (071-240 1066/1911).

ROCK

CLANNAD: The Celtic crusaders celebrate their 20th year with a haunting album, *Banba*. **Edinburgh**, Usher Hall (031-228 1155), Tues, 7pm. **Manchester**, Apollo (061-242 2560), Wed, 7.30pm. **Birmingham**, Symphony Hall (021-212 3333), Thurs, 7pm. **Liverpool**, Empire (051-709 1555), Fri, 6.45pm.

DIGABLE PLANETS: Expect off-the-wall but catchy hip-hop from these eccentric rappers **London**, Jazz Cafe (071-916 6000), Thurs, 7pm. **Ilford**, The Island (081-514 4400), Fri, 7pm.

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INNER CIRCLE: The long-established Jamaican reggae band follow the success of their recent "Sweet" hit with a one-off gig. **Subterania**, London, W10 (081-960 4590), Wed, 8pm

KING PLEASURE AND THE BISCUIT BOYS: The R&B stalwarts, whose latest CD, *Live at Ronnie Scott's*, captures the party atmosphere of their gigs, embark on a 100-date tour. **Brierley Hill**, Robin Hood (0384 77756), today, 8pm. **Birmingham**, Ronnie Scott's (021-643 4525), tomorrow-next Sat, 7.30pm.

JAZZ

JASON REBELLO: The versatile pianist performs Gershwin in a Hallé Orchestra Prom. **Free Trade Hall**, Manchester (061-834 1712), Fri, 7.30pm.

GLASTONBURY FESTIVAL: Better known for its vast rock repertoire (this year including The Black Crowes, Red Hot Chili Peppers and Suede), the event now has an impressive jazz section featuring Wynton Marsalis; Bheki Mseleku; Airto Moreira, Flora Purim and Fourth World; Don Weller and Jim Mullen. **Glastonbury Festival**, Worthy Farm, Pilton (info. 0839 668899, bookings: 0272 767868). Fri to next Sun.

NEW VIDEOS

DETECTIVE (Artificial Eye, 15): Densely-packed folderol from Jean-Luc Godard, with a clutch of characters up to obscure tricks in a Paris hotel. The cast, at least, enjoy themselves (Nathalie Baye, Claude Brasseur, Johnny Hallday). 1985.

ELENYA (Imagine, PG): Simple, direct wartime love story about a Welsh girl and an injured German airman. Strong feature debut by director Steve Gough; subtle child performance by Pascale Delafouge Jones. 1992.

MR SMITH GOES TO WASHINGTON (Columbia Classics, U): Capra classic with James Stewart fighting corruption and saving US democracy from the hands of Claude Rains. So ebullient and well performed you forget how woolly the thinking is. 1939.

UNLAWFUL ENTRY (Fox Video, 18): Sicko cop creates havoc for Los Angeles couple. Promising thriller from director Jonathan Kaplan, until exasperation sets in. With Ray Liotta, Madeleine Stowe and Kurt Russell. 1992.

BOOKINGS

GREASE: A new £2m staging of the musical by Jim Jacobs and Warren Casey is in preparation. David Gilmore directs singer Debbie Gibson and Craig McLachlan in the leads. **Dominion**, Tottenham Court Road, W1 (071-580 9562), previews from July 5; opens July 15

CHERUBINI QUARTET. The German group gives six concerts comprising the complete cycle of Beethoven string quartets. **Wigmore Hall**, Wigmore Street, W1 (071-935 2141), July 2, 3, 5, 7, 9, 10.

THE LEVELLERS: A tour by the Nineties group that identifies with the "crusty" sub-culture of drop-outs, punks, ravers, travellers and the long-term unemployed. **Manchester**, Academy (061-275 4815/2930). Sept 10. **Leicester**, De Montford (0533 544444), Sept 13, 14. **Bournemouth**, International Centre (0202 297297), Sept 18. **Portsmouth**, Guildhall (0705 824355), Sept 20. **Plymouth**, Pavilion (0752 229922), Sept 21. **Hanley**, Victoria Hall (0782 712500), Sept 23 **Liverpool**, Royal Court (051-709 4321), Sept 26. **Newcastle**, Mayfair (091-232 3109), Oct 4. **Sheffield**, City Hall (0742 722885), Oct 5 **Glasgow**, Barrowlands (031-557 6969), Oct 6, 7. **Leeds**, T&C (0532 800100), Oct 9 **Gloucester**, Leisure Centre (0452 306788), Oct 12. **Reading**, Rivermead (0734 504343), Oct 13 **Crawley**, Leisure Centre (0293 537431) Oct 14 **Ilford**, The Island (081-514 4400), Oct 15 **London**, Brixton Academy (071-326 1022), Oct 16, 17

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EVENINGS OUT

RICHARD WENTWORTH SCULPTOR



For Londoners, one of the best and cheapest springtime evenings out in the capital is to drive around looking at its sites as if you were a visitor rather than a daily user. By using the river as the spinal route and zigzagging across the bridges you can see London in a wonderfully post-cardish sort of way. This is what we're going to do with our French exchange student, showing him the fabulous views of the Tate, the Houses of Parliament and St Paul's, and pointing out the surviving NatWest Tower and Lloyds (London's only genuinely "modern" building), and ending up by standing bang in the middle of Tower Bridge. I'd like to combine this expedition with the late night openings at the Hayward [see Exhibitions] to show him the James Turrell exhibition of installations. I recommend Air Mass, the roof "window" that is open to the sky. It's wonderfully restful sitting there watching the light changing at dusk. Many of London's smaller museums run enterprising special events, such as the Museum of London's current film series *Made In London* [Tues, Thurs, 6-10pm each week until July 8]. I hope to catch at least one of these British classics, such as *Oh Mr Porter* [July 1].

Answers from page 18

GADEAN

(b) A fish belonging to the family *Gadidae*, of which the typical genus is *Gadus* (cod), from the Greek *gados* a codfish.

QUICHE

(a) The name of a people inhabiting the western highlands of Guatemala, a member of the Quiché people, one of the principal languages of the Mayan family, spoken by this people, from the native name.

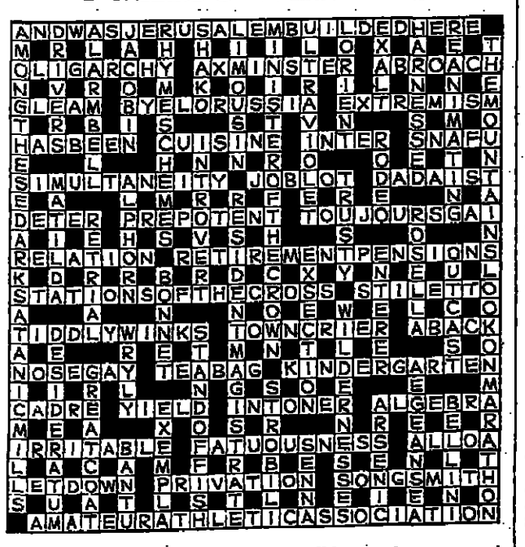
TRISKAIDEKAPHOBIA

(a) Fear of the number thirteen, from the Greek *triskaideka* thirteen + *-phobia*: "Thirteen people pledged to eliminate triskaidekaphobia, fear of the number 13, today tried to reassure American sufferers by renting a 13ft plot of land in Brooklyn for 13 cents (10½d) a month."

MEBYON KERNOW

(c) "Sons of Cornwall", the name of a Cornish party of independence, from the old Cornish language: "Mebyon Kernow (The Sons of Cornwall), the nationalist organisation, has never demanded autonomy but the more reasonable 'self-government in domestic affairs' within the United Kingdom."

Jumbo winners



HERE is the solution to the Bank Holiday jumbo crossword published on Saturday May 29. The five winners, who each receive £50, are: Mrs V. Petty of Newcastle-on-Tyne; Mrs S.M. Walker of Lichfield, Staffs; Ann Cooper of Leamington Spa; Mrs B.R. Hall of Aberdeen; and Mr J. Folford of Walkford, Hants.

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THEATRE: **Benedict Nightingale** reviews John Osborne's *Inadmissible Evidence* at the Lyttelton

A drop of vintage Osborne

DONALD COOPER



Scotch mists: Trevor Eve's portrait of a man fighting mental, emotional and spiritual breakdown

Even without a grizzled Nicol Williamson rasping and cawing his way through the main role, as he did in 1964 and again in 1978, *Inadmissible Evidence* remains John Osborne's masterpiece. It is long, punishingly long, a three-and-a-quarter-hour monologue with interruptions for Roger Sloman, Lynn Farleigh and two or three other excellent supporting actors. But it is the play in which its author's very limitations become a positive advantage.

The later Osborne would have invited us to share the anguished paranoia of its protagonist, the solicitor Bill Maitland. Very likely, he would have tried to chivvy us into regarding his liverish railings as a trenchant critique of the state of Britain. But in 1964 Osborne retained the detachment to see him in the round, from both outside and inside; and, though Trevor Eve is a less weighty and charismatic Maitland than Williamson, the result is again an impressively complete character.

Eve's Maitland is first seen in the dock, gulping and panting in panic as he incoherently defends himself against a charge of publishing "a wicked, bawdy and scandalous object", presumably his own life. This is his dream; but his reality is scarcely less embattled. He swallows pills and Scotch; he jabbers obsessively into the phone, at one point mistaking a whisky bottle for its receiver; he alternately snaps at and awkwardly joshes his staff; and somehow he bungles his way through interviews with clients whose pain invariably contrives to mirror or expose his own.

Disintegration is his fear, and so, even more so, is the rejection that his own behaviour courts. He sexually harrasses subordinates, betrays his wife, endlessly bends his mistress's ear with rheumy self-doubt, gives every indication of losing control of his firm, and, in perhaps the most scorching coda ever written, directs a paean of plaintive loathing at his daughter. And not surprisingly there is a mass exodus from his life, giving the play such tension and plot as it possesses.

Back in 1964, Maitland was seen as an over-age Jimmy Porter, sickened by science and technology, buildings "like concrete nougat", and "yoof" either slick, go-getting, or both. Di Trevis's careful production keeps the period references, down to Godfrey Winn and Lyons Corner House, but does not labour them. Indeed, the office that Stephen Brimson Lewis has designed for it — one desk hovers in a white-streaked night — has a surreal, out-of-time look. And the set is more than justified, for the play's real subject is an enduring one.

Call it the male menopause if you must. Yet that seems as adequate as saying that *Lear* is about senility or *Oedipus* eye-surgery. *Inadmissible Evidence* is a journey into a head in terminal disarray, a portrait of a man in mental, emotional and spiritual breakdown, and, as such, a formidable challenge to any actor.

Eve does not quite match Williamson, who combined rage, contempt, wit, self-pity, self-hatred, compassion, a yearning to love and be loved, lust, suspicion, a sense of impending entropy, even a habit of sliming up to women with a voice like lard. Yet his is a bold, unsentimental performance, which misses some of the softer emotions but does not duck the sourer, harder ones. And when the C above high C comes, as it often does, his chalky-faced Maitland does not falter: "I can't escape, I can't forget, I can't begin again." It is a sound still to be reckoned with, echoing through through the auditorium: the sound of Osborne at his best.

CLASSICAL CONCERTS

Masterpiece masterclass

Nikolai Demidenko
Wigmore Hall

THE choice of pieces in Nikolai Demidenko's six-concert series, "Piano Masterworks", mutually agreed between the pianist and the critic Ates Orga, has been nothing if not idiosyncratic.

Liberally scattered through this broad chronological survey between the fixed points of Mozart, Beethoven, Schubert, Liszt and Brahms have been Clementi, Vorisek, Kalkbrenner, Alkan. And quite rightly: such variety helps put greater and lesser figures into context, reminding us that music is not a matter of wheat and chaff, the one to be consumed and the other discarded, but of different kinds, different grades of wheat, each with some nutritional value.

Yet for the last recital in the series, called "Legacies and Prophecies", Demidenko stalked ground that seemed less risky. Of the composers included, only Sofia Gubaidulina could be said to be outside the mainstream, and that is partly because she is of our own time; hindsight may tell us differently.

In any case, her *Ciacona*, composed in 1989, stamps its mark on the repertoire with a firmness impossible to ignore. Imposing and decidedly grand, its nearest relatives seem to be Brahms and those fantastic Bach-Busoni transcriptions. For a start, its theme is an idea of 23 notes progressing more or less chromatically up the keyboard; and there are apparently 23 variations to match.

Demidenko played it with dashing flamboyance and an extraordinary power that left his audience's ears ringing and the piano tuner working frantically during the interval. Russian pianists often make a hard sound at full stretch, but Demidenko's fortissimo somehow retains the naturally resonant sonority of the rest of his playing: he plays deep into the key rather than simply striking the top.

Usually, at least. But in Messiaen's *Cantéyodjayd* (1949) there was a harsh, unremitting brittleness about his sound which soon tired the ear rather than leading the mind to the heights of celebratory, sensual joy. Animalistic though this music is, it does not benefit from aggression, nor from the limited range of timbres Demidenko called upon.

The performance was all the more discomfiting after his shapely, potent, ripe and flexible reading of Berg's Sonata, Op 1, and his exquisite delivery of Scriabin's fragrantly mysterious Etudes, Op 65, music whose rootless harmonies leave them hanging tantalisingly in the ether.

For Mussorgsky's *Pictures at an Exhibition* Demidenko returned to grandiosity, brilliance, and, in "The Great Gate of Kiev", formidable power. But this work is in his blood, and he remembered to pay due attention to its poetry.

STEPHEN PETTITT

Northern lights fail to sparkle

RPO/Dreier
Festival Hall

THE annual festival in Grieg's home town of Bergen traditionally reaches its climax with the inevitable Piano Concerto. This year's festival, culminating on Tuesday (the 150th anniversary of Grieg's birth) was no exception. In Britain, however, where the Piano Concerto is not a national icon, the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra's concert celebrating the day included that work, but reached its grand finale with the Symphonic Dances.

It was a happy decision, for all was not well in the concerto. The conductor, Per Dreier, is an esteemed advocate of his countryman's music, while the soloist, Geir Henning Braaten, has been doing a splendid job recording the complete piano music in the valuable Grieg Edition on the Victoria label. Yet on the night, over-familiarity perhaps bred complacency. A successful performance is characterised by a strong melodic impulse, but also a questing spirit that seeks to breathe new life into the lyricism. One sensed Dreier and Braaten on the verge of discovery, but few insights were vouchsafed.

This followed in the wake of an equally unsatisfactory account of the Six Orchestral Songs, a late gathering by the composer of some of his finest Lieder. As with Strauss's songs, a succulent orchestral accompaniment is a mixed blessing, especially when the soprano is a somewhat colourless soubrette. More attention to verbal nuance is required than Anne-Margrethe Elkaas was able to offer.

The concluding Symphonic Dances, also familiar in piano duet form, were more successful. Dreier's reading brought out the folkish elements, as well as Grieg's genius for weaving inventive sequences from short-breathed tunes. The sixth of the Lyric Pieces, Op 54, entitled "Bellringing", is a remarkably impressionistic work (Grieg had recently encountered Debussy) — an aspect that is even more marked in the composer's orchestrated version.

Under Dreier's capable direction, the RPO, though not on best form, gave a satisfactory performance of this, of the Homage March from *Sigurd Jorsalfar*, and of the Norwegian Bridal Procession, from *Scenes from Folk Life* (receiving its first hearing in the orchestration by Delius).

The Don Basilio I admired in the Opera Company's *Figaro* last week was Duncan Mackenzie, not Philip Slane. Apologies to both singers.

BARRY MILLINGTON

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Catherine Malfitano as Tosca: over the past couple of years the singer has become an outstanding actress

Catherine Malfitano joined the ranks of the world's best known Toscas without singing the role on stage before this week at the Royal Opera House. Such is the just legacy of the worldwide live telecast last summer of *Tosca* from Puccini's precisely chosen Roman locations. For those who did not tape it at the time the video has just come out on Teldec and is among the best examples of filmed opera to date.

For the first two acts at least Malfitano's Tosca in the theatre is as excitingly convincing as on screen. Over the past couple of years she has become an outstanding actress, as her Lina in *Stiffelio* earlier in the Covent Garden season showed. Nothing could be further from that passive creature than her Tosca, a hyperactive woman jealous that every footfall and every dropped fan might conceal a rival. The imperious twist and flick of the wrist as Tosca commands Cavaradossi to make the eyes of Mary Magdalen's portrait as dark as her own is that of a singer who knows how to command the stage. She not only does that, she illumines it.

The Malfitano soprano has acquired considerable richness, unsuspected when she specialised in the lighter Mozart roles. "Vissi d'arte" showed near perfect control and no false histrionics. It was, as it should be, an aria of bewilderment and reproach to God that her dutifully regular prayers and flowers laid at the altar should be repaid so cruelly. But the piety remains as Tosca on stage, as on film, closes the eyelids of the dead Scarpia while recalling that this was the man who made all Rome shudder.

If Act III did not carry the same intensity then it could be because Malfitano had already given too much. But it is really Cavaradossi's act and Alberto Cupido's painter comes from a more stolid acting school. His tenor is accurate and strong, but it lacks the suavity conjured by Carreras and Bergonzi in particular as Cavaradossi takes Tosca's hands in his own, amazed that they are capable of killing. In recent seasons Covent Garden has also seen performances by Scarpias more imposing than Gregory Yurisich. His baritone is almost too warm for the part, short of the bite and menace of the most effective chiefs of police. Perhaps he needs a new issue truncheon.

The production, by John Cox out of Zeffirelli's original and scrupulously rehearsed by Paul Maloney, remains impressive. Act II especially, with its guttering candles and threatening shadows, marvellously evokes the tyranny that was Rome. Earlier in Act I Donald Adams had contributed a notably rubicund old fusspot of a Sacristan.

Daniel Oren made a better — and more courteous — job of conducting than recently in *Bohème*. But he is still apt to drown his singers at crucial moments. Loud noises do not always make the greatest dramatic impact.

JOHN HIGGINS

CLASSICAL RECORDS: Comparisons cross the centuries as Webern meets Mozart

Common themes and variations

Determined not to be responsible for adding yet another clutch of Mozart symphonies to a groaning catalogue, Christoph von Dohnányi and the Cleveland Orchestra have hit on the idea of interleaving Mozart with Webern. The justification, of course, is that each composer belonged to one of the two great Viennese trinities: Mozart, Haydn and Beethoven are often seen as being balanced by Webern, Berg and Schoenberg in their domination of the history of western music.

This is a bold venture. The boxed set of three CDs (Decca 436 421-2) juxtaposes Mozart's last six symphonies with Webern's orchestral works: and Calum MacDonald's booklet notes offer some perceptive insights into the relationship between the two. He focuses, for example, on Webern's own frequent conducting of Mozart's Symphony No 41, and points out that its only combination of forms, the fugue/sonata of the finale, was to lead to Webern's own "developing variation" form.

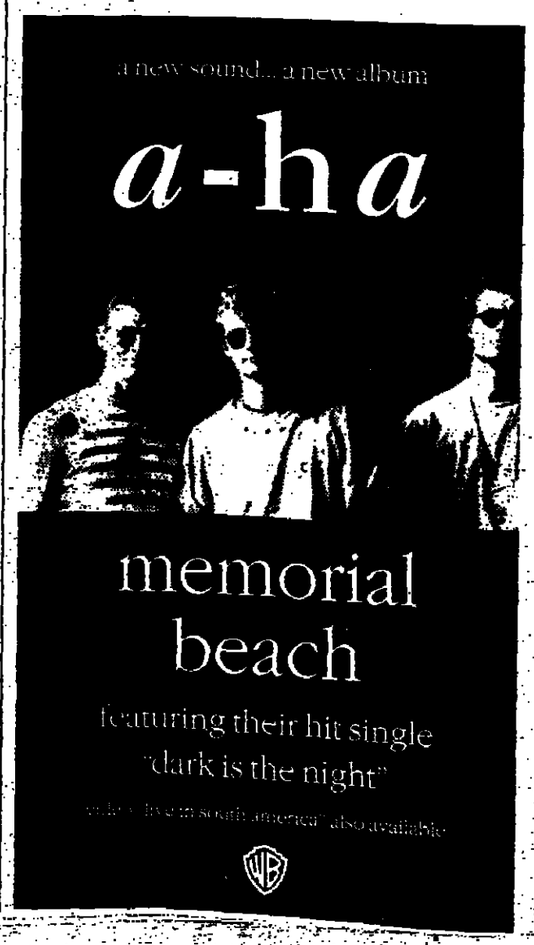
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The comparison remains a cerebral one: Webern's real soulmate was surely Bach. But then Mozart could not have lived without him either. And the juxtaposition does have the effect of reflecting and deflecting stimuli to the ear, and does inevitably affect the way one receives the music of each composer.

Von Dohnányi's own approach to Mozart also seems to be influenced by the lens through which he is being seen. He has never been a conductor to cultivate beauty of tone, in any section of an orchestra, for its own sake: indeed, austerity is often a hallmark of his performances. Here, in anticipation of the minutely controlled drama of Webern's *Six Pieces*, Op 6a, Von Dohnányi plays on the tautness and organic unity of the motifs of the "Haffner" Symphony, and leads the ear to its processes of musical expansion and contraction.

His introductory adagios have a sober gravitas, his slow movements a transparency of ensemble, his prestos a moderation which enables the ear to hear every interlocking detail. I find this measured moderation a little too much in the last two symphonies: No 40 is painted in shades of grey; the "Jupiter" is rather too austere. But this is an engaging enterprise of which any serious listener will want to be a part.

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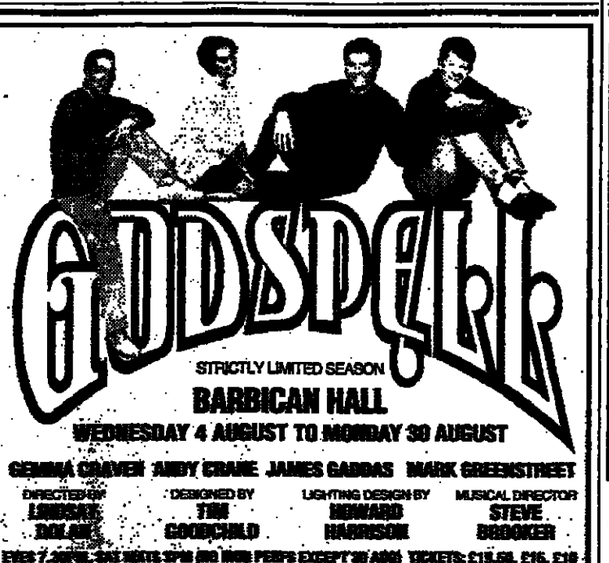
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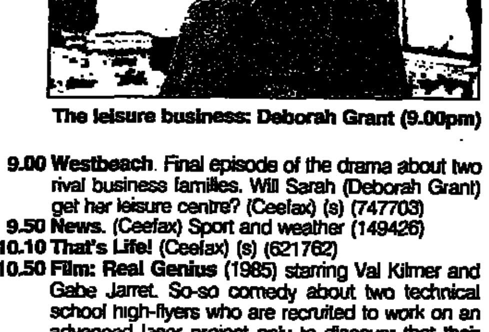
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7.00 Ceefax (1996285)
7.25 News and weather (1182703)
7.30 Pinocchio (r) (4880277) **7.50 The All New Popeye Show** Three cartoons (r) (4797513) **8.10 The Girl From Tomorrow**. Episode nine of the 12-part science fiction serial (r). (Ceefax) (7958616) **8.35 Potsworth & Co**. Space-set cartoon adventures (r) (4648432)
9.00 Parallel 9. Young people's entertainment. Among the guests are the Blakeney twins from *Neighbours*, singer Neneh Cherry and mime artist Dr Stewart (s) (44206819) **10.52 Weather** (4221277)
10.55 Grandstand introduced by Hazel Irvine. The line-up is (subject to alteration): **11.00** (42884), **2.05** (27583267), **2.35** (2318242), **3.05** (7069987) and **4.00** (155) Cricket: the third day's play in the second Test between England and Australia at Lord's; **1.00** News. **1.05** (7441762), **2.05** (27583267) and **2.35** (2318242) Tennis: the final of the Volkswagen women's international tournament from Devonshire Park, Eastbourne; **1.55** (97728669), **2.25** (82974529), **2.55** (4719906) and **3.30** (1805613) Racing from Ascot; **3.40** (3716074) Motor Sport: the *Autotrader* RAC British Touring Car championships from Brands Hatch; **4.30** (8420155) Golf: highlights from the second round of the US Open from Baltusrol, New Jersey
5.15 News with Jennie Bond (Ceefax) Weather (4197180) **5.25 Regional News** and sport (6094722) **5.30 Cartoon**. *Early Bird and the Worm* (r). (Ceefax) (947513)
5.40 Jim'll Fix It. Sir Jimmy Savile makes dreams come true for another collection of the young at heart, including a Devon grandfather who is taught to play the didgeridoo by Rolf Harris. (Ceefax) (s) (148987)
6.15 The Main Event. Frenetic home and studio-based quiz show hosted by Chris Tarrant. This week the Bird family have the assistance of sports presenters Emlyn Hughes, Sharron Davies and Dennis Taylor while the Ross's rely on magazine presenters Carolyn Marshall, Ross King and Judi Spiers. (Ceefax) (s) (505258)
7.05 The House of Eliott. A repeat run of the second series of the fashion house drama set in 1920s London. (Ceefax) (s) (802093)
8.00 Open All Hours. Ronnie Barker and David Jason star in the comedy series about a miserly corner shop owner and his downtrodden nephew-assistant (r). (Ceefax) (1616)
8.30 Birds of a Feather. Tracey is devastated when she realises what two years in prison has done to her husband. Neighbour Dorien offers advice (r). (Ceefax) (3451)

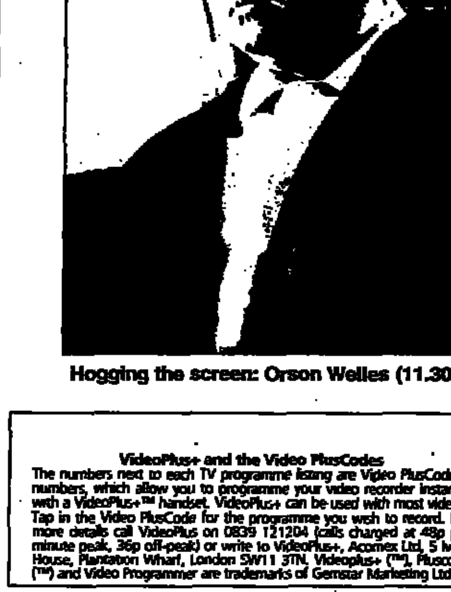


The leisure business: Deborah Grant (9.00pm)

9.00 Westbeach. Final episode of the drama about two rival business families. Will Sarah (Deborah Grant) get her leisure centre? (Ceefax) (s) (747703)
9.50 News. (Ceefax) Sport and weather (149426)
10.10 That's Life! (Ceefax) (s) (621762)
10.50 Film: Real Genius (1985) starring Val Kilmer and Gabe Jarret. So-so comedy about two technical school high-flyers who are recruited to work on an advanced laser project only to discover that their assignment is something more sinister. Directed by Martha Coolidge. (Ceefax) (17430600)
12.35am Cricket. Highlights of the third day's play in the second Test between England and Australia at Lord's (s) (3069575) **1.15 Weather** (7404001)

BBC2

6.40 Open University: Food Technology — Today's Beef (9293838) **7.05** Maths: Networks and Matrices (4146708) **7.30** The Structure of Solids (1777884) **7.55** The Work of a Family Centre (4881906) **8.20** Diabetes — Restoring the Balance (7872242) **8.45** The Victorian High Church (4642258) **9.10** Materials: Engine Design (6782109) **9.35** Science Summer School (7139635) **10.00** Seville in the 16th Century (7844180) **10.25** Psychology: Personnel Selection (6387548) **10.50** *Dialogue in the Dark*, by Michael Ignatieff (2722161) **11.15** TV — Images, Messages and Ideologies (9177529) **12.05** Pathfinding in the Brain (9531513) **12.30** Creative Management: Visioning (8261819) **12.55** Le Corbusier and the Villa La Roche (3310277) **1.20** A Portable Computer Industry: the UK or Taiwan? (35987548) **1.45** Orson Welles and *The War of the Worlds* (87524109) **2.10** Electronics: Global Firms — Shrinking Worlds (43755109) **2.35** Energy from Waste (2403364)
3.00 Film: Laura Lansing Slept Here (1988) starring Katharine Hepburn. A lightweight, made-for-television comedy, written for the star, about a successful author who accepts her publisher's bet that she would be unable to survive a week living with an ordinary family. Naturally, she takes over the lives of the people she invades. Directed by George Schaefer. (Ceefax) (26364)
4.30 Cricket. Live coverage of the closing session of the third day's play in the second Test between England and Australia at Lord's.The commentators are Richie Benaud, Jack Bannister, Ray Illingworth and Geoff Boycott (s) (83037906)
6.45 Scrutiny. Michael Fairburn examines the case for and against an independent central bank. (Ceefax) (143819)
7.15 News with Jennie Bond. (Ceefax) Sport and weather (570906)
7.30 Cardiff Singer of the World (s). See Choice (898180)
10.00 Golf introduced by Steve Rider. Live third round action from the US Open at Baltusrol in New Jersey. The commentators are Peter Alliss, Bruce Critchley and Dave Marr (87838)
11.30 Film: The Trial (1963, b/w). See Choice (88567). Ends at **1.30**



Hogging the screen: Orson Welles (11.30pm)

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CHOICE

Camera of Courage: Why do Angels Fly?
Channel 4, 8.00pm

Juris Podnieks, the Latvian documentary film-maker, died a year ago in a diving accident at the age of 41. Considering that he spent much of his working life courting far greater danger it was an ironically tame way to go. He reported from the front line and did so fearlessly. He filmed the aftermath of the Chernobyl explosion up to the the last possible second of safety. He was on the streets of Riga when Soviet soldiers fired on unarmed civilians and saw one of his cameramen die in his arms. His five-part series, *Hello Do You Hear Us?*, brilliantly evoked the dying days of the Soviet Union. It will be reshown, together with previously unseen material, in a Channel 4 season. Tonight's programme introduces that season and is a chance for family and colleagues to recall a bold, passionate and committed figure who poured himself into his work.



Judgment: Dame Joan Sutherland (BBC2, 7.30pm)

Cardiff Singer of the World
BBC2, 7.30pm

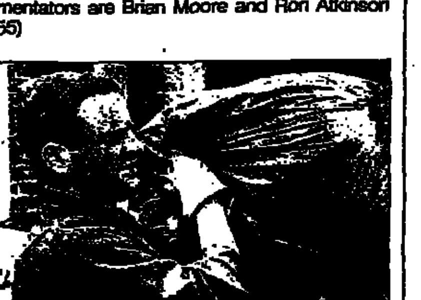
The 25 hopefuls who started the week have been whittled down to five finalists and tonight's live broadcast will reveal the winner. The prize that awaits comprises a bronze trophy featuring a Welsh dragon, the sum of £5,000, a London recital and an engagement with the BBC. There is a good chance of going on to even bigger things. Among previous winners are such established names as the Finnish soprano Karita Mattila and the Russian baritone Dmitri Hvorostovsky. The battle of the baritones betweem Hvorostovsky and Bryn Terfel of Wales made an unforgettable climax to the 1989 contest. The judges this time include Dame Joan Sutherland and Marilyn Horne and the BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra is conducted by the Italian opera specialists Guido Ajmone-Marsan and Carlo Rizzi.

The Trial
BBC2, 11.30pm

Orson Welles's version of the Kafka novel enjoys a huge reputation on the Continent while British critics tend to find it flawed and indulgent. But like most of Welles's work it holds the attention through sheer cinematic flamboyance. Much of *The Trial* was shot in the former Gare d'Orsay railway station in Paris and this vast, abandoned building provides a suitably baroque setting. Heavily shadowed lighting and jagged camera angles emphasise the nightmare of Joseph K (Anthony Perkins), who awakes one morning to be accused of an unnamed crime and starts a terrifying descent into madness. Unfortunately the dazzling images cannot wholly compensate for a slack narrative. Perkins gives a typically haunted performance, Welles hogs the screen as a grotesque lawyer and there is an incisive contribution from a Welles favourite, Akim Tamiroff. **Peter Waymark**

ITV LONDON

6.00 GMTV (7710628)
9.25 Gimme 5. Young people's entertainment presented by Lewis MacLeod and Jenny Powell. The guests include East 17, who perform two numbers, and Les Hill from the cast of *Home and Away* (22344258)
11.30 ITV Chart Show. The *Video Vault* features Bruce Springsteen singing his 1984 hit "Dancing in the Dark" (s) (51345)
12.30 Movies, Movies, Movies. A review of this week's film releases (91819)
1.00 News with Nicholas Owen. Weather (69303971) **1.05 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (69302242)
1.10 International Rugby. Highlights of the British Lions matches against Auckland, New Zealand's top team, and Wednesday's game against Taranaki (9604600)
2.30 Wanted: Dead or Alive. Vintage western adventures starring Steve McQueen (971)
3.00 The A-Team. The irregular but resourceful quartet help a fire chief who is in danger of losing her contract (r) (6328529)
3.55 WCW World Wide Wrestling (7337093)
4.45 ITN News with Nicholas Owen. Weather (7761628)
5.00 London Today (Teletext), sport and weather (4194093)
5.10 MacGyver. American special agent adventures starring Richard Dean Anderson. (Teletext) (5806890)
6.00 Beadle's About. Selected examples of Jeremy Beadle's particular brand of practical jokes (r) (600)
6.30 Stars in Their Eyes. Matthew Kelly introduces five more look-alike showbusiness aspirants, hoping to sing their way to stardom. (Teletext) (s) (180)
7.00 US Cup Football. Live coverage of the game between England and Germany in Detroit, the last match of the four-team tournament. The commentators are Brian Moore and Ron Atkinson (92155)

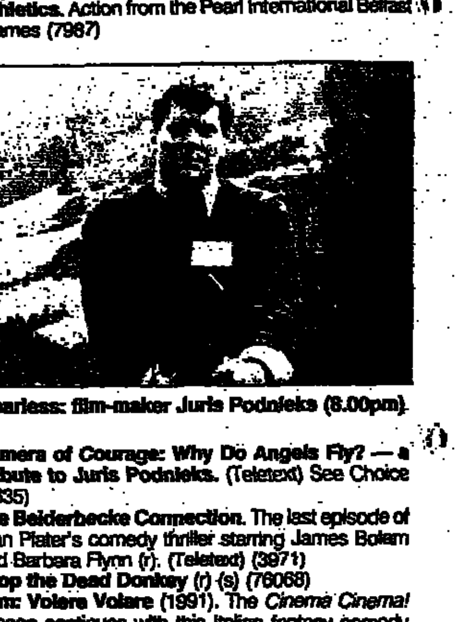


Dustman: Andrew Paul is undercover (9.00pm)

9.00 The Bill: Picking a Winner. PC Quinnan (Andrew Paul) goes undercover disguised as a refuse collector to investigate a spate of burglaries that have taken place with dustcarts. (Teletext) (7105)
9.30 Film: The Price Of Passion (1989). Overcooked TV movie starring Victoria Principal as the mayor of a New Mexico town who becomes the target for a serial killer. With strong supporting performances from Elaine Stritch and Ralph Waite. Directed by Richard Colla. (Teletext) (267819)
11.15 ITN News with Nicholas Owen. Weather (343838)
11.35 The Good Sex Guide. Margi Clarke and her guests, Helena Bonham-Carter, Anita Dobson, Gary Olsen, Timothy Spall and Haydn Gwynne, explore sexual attaction (r). (Teletext) (758426)
12.05am The 291 Club. Variety talent show from the Hackney Empire. Boxer Lennox Lewis hands out the awards (s) (3890611)
1.05 The Big E. Magazine series for young Europeans (s) (2439681) **2.05 Basketball**. Action from the United States (2995827)
3.05 The New Music. Includes an interview with Bob Geldof (3276440)
4.05 Coach. American comedy series about a college football coach (74281865)
4.35 BPM. News and sounds from the dance music world (s) (8637682)
5.30 ITN Early Morning News with Tim Neilson (84827)

CHANNEL 4

6.00 The Wonderful Wizard of Oz. Animation (r) (s) (1187600) **6.25 Spiff and Hercules**. (3549987) **6.40 Alfred J. Kwak** (9288906) **7.05 The Legend of White Fang** (6035451) **7.35 King Arthur and the Knights of Justice** (1867451)
8.00 Betty's Bunch. Episode nine of the 13-part New Zealand foster children drama (61180)
8.30 World Tennis. Last in the series (60451)
9.00 News (7272432) **9.15 Channel 4 Racing: The Morning Line** (1916161)
10.00 Trans World Sport (84180)
11.00 Gaelic Games. A new 13-part series begins with hurling from the Munster semi-final between champions Cork and Clare; and the Ulster football championship game between Tyrone and Armagh. Presented by Jim Neilly (71616)
12.00 Sign On. Magazine series for the hearing impaired. Today's edition includes a visit to the National Centre for Mental Health and Deafness which opened recently at Manchester's Prestwich Hospital (71567)
12.30 Kasak. Episode eight of the 20-part Pakistani drama serial. In Urdu with English subtitles (82161)
1.00 Film: The Proud and Profane (1956, b/w). The first of an afternoon double bill starring William Holden. In *The Proud and the Profane* he appears opposite Deborah Kerr in a well-crafted second world war drama about a marine officer who falls for a widowed nurse searching for her husband's grave. Directed by George Seaton (21041068)
3.00 Film: The Man From Colorado (1948). A western which depends more on talk than action starring Holden as about a former Confederate officer who becomes a lawman to contain the excesses of a sadistic cavalry colonel (Glenn Ford) who has become a judge. Directed by Henry Levin and, uncredited, King Vidor (6245971)
4.50 The Mysterious Tadpole. Animated version of a book by Steven Kellogg
5.05 Brookside (r). (Teletext) (s) (9193987). Followed by **News** summary and weather
6.30 Right to Reply. Should members of Parliament pursue parallel careers as television personalities? Edwina Currie and Austin Mitchell reply. Plus Scottish Televison defends its decision to kill its daytime soap *Take the High Road* (722)
7.00 Athletics. Action from the Pearl International Belfast Games (7987)



Fearless: film-maker Juris Podnieks (8.00pm)

8.00 Camera of Courage: Why Do Angels Fly? — a Tribute to Juris Podnieks. (Teletext) See Choice (6835)
9.00 The Beiderbecke Connection. The last episode of Alan Plater's comedy thriller starring James Bolam and Barbara Flynn (r). (Teletext) (3971)
10.00 Drop the Dead Donkey (r) (s) (76068)
10.30 Film: Volere Volare (1991). The *Cinema Cinema!* season continues with this Italian fantasy comedy that combines live action and animation. Maurizio is a shy sound engineer whose wooing of Martina is made complicated by his changing into a cartoon character. Starring Maurizio Nichetti, who also directed, and Angela Finocchiaro (s) (81277068)
12.20am Evening Shade (r) (s) (9140204)
12.55 Poor Man's Orange. The last episode of the sequel to the Australian-Irish drama *Harp in the South* (r) (9169339). Ends at **1.55**

SATELLITE

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6.00am Car 54, Where Are You? (21242) **6.30** Rin Tin Tin (89161) **7.00** Fun Factory (2722364) **12.00** WWF Superstars (34548) **1.00pm** Rich Man, Poor Man (47068) **2.00** Bewitched (7242) **2.30** The Facts of Life (6432) **3.00** Cartoons (50068) **4.00** Dukes of Hazzard (3093) **6.00** Beverly Hills, 90210 (23432) **7.00** Class of '96 (84567) **8.00** Unsolved Mysteries (60987) **9.00** Cops I (31987) **9.30** Cops II (35277) **10.00** WWF Superstars (83838) **11.00** Entertainment Tonight (38971) **12.00** Pages from Skytext

SKY NEWS

News on the hour.
6.00am Sunrise (23884) **6.30** News and Business Report (832619) **9.30** Nightline (42567) **10.00** Dayline (32105) **10.30** *Financial Times* West of Moscow (11109) **11.00** Dayline (42093) **11.30** Getaway (56267) **12.30pm** Fashion TV (93513) **1.30** The Reporters (94242) **2.30** Nightline (89451) **3.30** Those Were The Days (20155) **4.30** Getaway (4838) **5.00** Live at Five (12109) **6.30** Fashion TV (91242) **7.30** The Reporters (5567) **9.30** *Financial Times* West of Moscow (15946) **10.30** The Reporters (10690) **11.30** Fashion TV (80161) **12.30am** Getaway (44933) **1.30** *Financial Times* West of Moscow (20136) **2.30** Fashion TV (29556) **3.30** Target (24001) **4.30** *Financial Times* West of Moscow (59136) **5.30-6.00** The Reporters (22001)

SKY MOVIES PLUS

6.00am Showcase (47432)
8.00 Continental Divide (1981): Comedy about an odd couple (95722)
10.00 Mission of the Shark (1991): Fact-based drama about the sinking of the USS Indianapolis in the Pacific (26529)
12.00 Swashbuckler (1976): Pirate adventure with Robert Shaw (85345)
2.00pm Great Expectations: The Untold Story (1989): An original treatment of the Dickens classic (67890)
4.00 Stood Up: Romantic drama (57971)
5.00 A Town's Revenge (1989): A woman's past sins are not forgotten (2797)
6.00 Oscar (1991): Gangster Sylvester Stallone tries to go straight (81426)
8.00 The Human Shield (1991): Michael Dudikoff attempts to rescue his brother from Iraq on the eve of the Gulf war (86971)
10.00 Revenge (1989): Kevin Costner becomes involved with Anthony Quinn's wife, Madeleine Stowe (23041646)
12.05am Carnal Crimes (1991): Erotic thriller with Martin Hewitt (540943)
1.45 Father (1991): Max Von Sydow is accused of war crimes (41678310)
3.50 Mission of the Shark (as 10am) (935933). Ends at **5.25**

SKY MOVIES GOLD

4.00pm The Day They Gave Babies Away (1957): An eldest child tries to find homes for his brothers and sisters (56145548)
5.45 The Agony and the Ecstasy (1965): Charlton Heston stars as Michelangelo. With Rex Harrison (67039548)
8.00 The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas (1982): Musical with Dolly Parton (57451)
10.00 Altered States (1980): William Hurt changes physically (409109). Ends at **11.45**

THE MOVIE CHANNEL

6.00am Von Richthofen and Brown (1971): First world war action (45074)
8.00 The Search for Bridey Murphy (1956): Teresa Wright is hypnotised (18664600)
9.50 The Pigeon That Took Rome (1962): Charlton Heston communicates with the Allies via messenger pigeon (23147529)
11.35 Which Way Home (1991): Cybill Shepherd attempts to smuggle orphans out of Cambodia (17933093)
2.00pm The Canterville Ghost (1986): Oscar Wilde's comedy (65432)
4.00 Support Your Local Sheriff (1969): Western spoof with James Garner (6703)
6.00 This Gun for Hire (1991): Assassin Robert Wagner goes on the run (89068)
8.00 The Addams Family (1991). Gothic horror with Anjelica Huston (84513)
10.00 Point Break (1991): FBI agent Keanu Reeves befriends surfer Patrick Swayze to catch a gang of bank robbers (25841628)
12.05am The Comfort of Strangers (1990): Christopher Walken stalks Rupert Everett and Natasha Richardson (770310)
1.50 The Seduction of Joe Tynan (1979): Alan Alda's political drama (818876)
3.40 King of the Gypsies (1978): Sterling Hayden chooses grandson Eric Roberts to be his successor (948372). Ends at **5.30**

SKY SPORTS

6.30am Prime Bodies (38451) **7.00** Windsurfing (76513) **7.30** Gillette World Sports Special (60548) **8.00** European League Round-Up (54109) **9.00** Wrestling — King of the Ring (112567) **12.00** Jack High (91432) **1.00pm** Sports Saturday (6152426) **6.00** US Open Golf (4319426) **11.00** Ringside (49838) **1.00am** Manchester Open Tennis (56204) **3.00-5.30** Rugby League: *New Zealand v Australia* (873662)

EUROSPORT

7.30am Step Aerobics (55616) **8.00** Motorsport (49277) **9.00** Motorcycling (76635) **9.30** NBA Basketball (76557) **10.00** American Basketball: League Finals (10513) **12.00** Football: Brazil v Peru **2.30pm** Le Mans 24-Hour Race (38068) **4.00** ATP Tennis (343180) **6.30** Le Mans 24-Hour Race (9971) **7.00** American Basketball (56345) **9.00** Le Mans 24-Hour Race (82635) **9.00** Football: Uruguay v Venezuela **11.30-1.30am** Football: Ecuador v USA

UK GOLD

7.00am Michael Bentine's Potty Time (3061180) **7.30** Owl TV (3057987) **8.00** Lassie (4106345) **8.30** Dog House (4105616) **9.00** Jem (4023068) **9.30** The Raccoons (6038987) **10.00** Defenders of the Earth (2478432) **10.30** Adventures of the Galaxy Rangers (4118180) **11.00** Film: Lisbon (1956) starring Ray Milland and Maureen O'Hara (48673838) **12.35pm** Film: To Trap a Spy (1966) starring Robert Vaughn and David McCallum (21365364) **2.15** Bless This House (3069180) **2.45** EastEnders Omnibus (27583703) **5.30** The Secret Garden (7542567) **6.00** Driving Ambition (6040722) **7.00** Bless This House (4813093) **7.30** Streets Apart (7529616) **8.00** Bergerac (6660161) **9.00** Wuthering Heights (8584797) **10.00** Film: Operation Crossbow (1965) starring George Peppard (8258172) **12.00** Naked Video (8364372) **12.30am** Lazarus and Dingwall (4063914) **1.00** In Concert: Tina Turner in 1982 (35869914) **2.15** What's in Store: Home Shopping

THE CHILDREN'S CHANNEL

6.00am The Best of Jack in the Box (73155) **7.00** The Secret World of Og (20529) **7.30** Widget (32364) **8.00** Cartoon Classics (22838) **8.30** Raiken II (861613) **11.30** Cartoon Classics (38884) **12.00** Dungeons and Dragons (29797) **12.30pm** New Fantastic Four (43619) **1.00** Pugwall's Summer (31074) **2.00** 3-2-1 Contact (9884) **2.30** My Favourite Martians (3703) **3.00** You Can't Do That on Television (1819) **3.30** All Change (5548) **4.00** The Electric Stringvest (24635) **5.00** Phoenix Hall (13) (6364) **5.30** Fifteen (4819) **6.00-7.00** Fame (51838)

VARIATIONS

ANGLIA
As London except: 2.30 Wrestling (2395451) **3.05-4.45** Film: Baby — Secret of a Lost Legend (60044884) **5.00** Anglia News (4194093) **5.10-6.00** New Baywatch (5806890) **12.05** Film: The Scalphunters (Burt Lancaster, Shelley Winters, Telly Savalas) (512223) **2.00** Hollywood Report (48223) **2.30** BPM (59198) **3.30** The Little Picture Show (54643) **4.30-5.30** The Big E (68042).

BORDER
As London except: 2.30 IndyCar 93 (971) **3.00** Spanish Goals Extra (9643600) **3.20** Stuntmasters (7986600) **3.50-4.45** Wrestling (9724258) **5.00-5.10** Border News (4194093) **12.05** Film: The Scalphunters (512223) **2.00** Hollywood Report (48223) **2.30** BPM (59198) **3.30** The Little Picture Show (54643) **4.30-5.30** The Big E (68042)

CENTRAL
As London except: 2.30 IndyCar 93 (43635) **3.30** The Munsters Today (1847838) **3.55-4.45** Wrestling (7337093) **5.00-5.10** Central News (4194093) **12.05** Film: Threesome (689846) **1.50** For Adults Only (8072865) **3.15** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (44827) **3.45** America's Top Ten (43198) **4.15-5.20** Jobfinder (7191933)

GRANADA
As London except: 2.30 IndyCar 93 (971) **3.00** Spanish Goals Extra (9643600) **3.20** Stuntmasters (7986600) **3.50-4.45** Wrestling (4815345) **5.00** Granada News (6904155) **5.05-6.00** Baywatch (2605600) **12.05** Film: The Scalphunters (512223) **2.00** Hollywood Report (48223) **2.30** BPM (59198) **3.30** The Little Picture Show (54643) **4.30-5.30** The Big E (68042)

HTV WEST
As London except: 2.30 IndyCar 93 (971) **3.00-4.45** Film: Heidi (29318398) **5.00-5.10** HTV West News (4194093) **12.05** Film: The Scalphunters (Burt Lancaster, Shelley Winters, Telly Savalas) (512223) **2.00** Hollywood Report (48223) **2.30** BPM (59198) **3.30** The Little Picture Show (54643) **4.30-5.30** The Big E (68042)

HTV WALES
As HTV West except: 5.00-5.10 HTV Wales News

MERIDIAN
As London except: 12.30-1.00 The Munsters Today (91819) **2.30** IndyCar 93 (971) **3.00** Isle of Man TT 1993 (8384) **4.00-4.45** Wrestling (5279141). **5.00-5.10** Meridian News (4194093) **12.05** One To One (1938310) **12.35** The Big E (9150681) **1.30** Film: The Challenge (78827) **3.30** Basketball (54643) **4.30-5.30** BPM (68042)

SCOTTISH
As London except: 2.30 Telefios (971) **3.00** Starting From Scratch (2155) **3.30-4.45** Film: The New, Original Wonder Woman (8127093) **5.00** Scotland Today (3697548) **5.15** The Box (4000600) **5.30-6.00** Fantastic Facts (987) **11.35** Film: House II — The Second Story (691548) **1.15** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (5134865) **2.00** BPM (5822136) **2.45** The Beat (102092) **3.50** ITV Chart Show (9518020) **4.40** The Haunted School (51431515) **5.05-5.30** Jobfinder (8966958)

TYNE TEES
As London except: 2.30-4.45 Film: Shane (13778093) **5.00-5.10** Tyne Tees Saturday (4194093) **12.05** Film: Callan (241223) **2.05** Coach (2438551) **2.35** BPM (3612372) **3.35** The Little Picture Show (7505136) **4.35-5.30** Cue the Music (8637682)

ULSTER
As London except: 12.30-1.00 Suss (91819) **2.30-3.00** IndyCar 93 (971) **3.55-4.45** Wrestling (7337093) **5.00-5.10** UTV Live (4194093) **12.05** Film: The Scalphunter (512223) **2.00** Hollywood Report (48223) **2.30** BPM (59198) **3.30** The Little Picure Show (54643) **4.30-5.30** The Big E (68042)

WESTCOUNTRY
As London except: 2.30 The Isle of Man TT Races (43635) **3.30** IndyCar 93 (2049529) **4.35-4.45** Cartoon Time (7589646) **5.00-5.10** Westcountry Weekend Latest (4194093) **12.05** Film: The Scalphunters (Burt Lancaster, Telly Savales) (512223) **2.00** Hollywood Report (48223) **2.30** BPM (59198) **3.30** The Little Picture Show (54643) **4.30-5.30** The Big E (68042)

YORKSHIRE
As London except: 2.30-4.45 Film: Shane (13778093) **5.00-5.10** Calendar News (4194093) **12.05** Film: Callan (241223) **2.05** Coach (2438551) **2.35** BPM (3612372) **3.35** The Little Picture Show (7505136) **4.35-5.30** Cue the Music (8637682)

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Starts: 7.05 The Legend of White Fang (6841136) **7.30** King Arthur and the Knights of Justice (99068) **8.00** Betty's Bunch (61180) **8.30** World Tennis (60451) **9.00** News (7272432) **9.15** Racing: The Morning Line (1916161) **10.00** Slot Sadwrn (96839) **12.00** Sign On (71567) **12.30** Trans World Sport (21797) **1.30** Gaelic Games (22426) **2.30** Film: Condemned (24541600) **4.15** Women Have No Country (1572703) **5.05** Brookside (9193987) **6.30** Magic Roundabout (300074) **6.35** Now You're Talking (895432) **7.00** Newyddion (577819) **7.15** Taith Y Llewod '93 (487600) **7.45** Film: Hedd Wyn (56644890) **9.50** Ha Play (841684) **10.00** Drop the Dead Donkey (76068) **10.30** Film: Volere Volare (67423600) **12.10** Belfast Games (6178961) **1.05** Europe Express (1730136) **1.35** Close

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RADIO 1

FM Stereo and MW. **4.00am** Neale James (FM only until **6.00am**) **7.00** Gary Davies **10.00** Dave Lee Travis **1.00pm** Adrian Juste **2.00** Donald Fagen: The former lead singer and founder of Steely Dan talks to Bob Harris **3.00** Johnnie Walker **5.30** The Saturday Rock Show **7.30** In Concert: Bryan Adams, recorded in Celtic Park, Glasgow, last July **8.30** Loose Talk with Kevin Day **9.00** Andy Kershaw **11.00** John Peel (FM only from **12.00**) **2.00-4.00am** Lynn Parsons (FM only)

RADIO 2

FM Stereo. **4.00am** Colin Berry **6.00** Barbara Sturgeon **8.05** Brian Matthew: Sounds of the Sixties **10.00** Anne Robinson **12.00** Hayes on Saturday **1.30pm** Jimmy's Cricket Team (r) **2.00** Ronnie Hilton: Sounds of the Fifties **3.00** Steve Race **4.00** Ted Heath — The Legacy **5.00** Cinema 2 **5.30** Nick Barraclough: New Country **6.00** Marti Webb and Mark Rattray in Concert (r) **7.00** David Mellor explores the music of France **7.30** Fanfare for a New World (r) **9.30** David Jacobs presents Easy Does It **10.00** Radio 2 Arts Programme **12.05am** Ronnie Hilton (r) **1.05-4.00** John Terrett

RADIO 5

6.00am World Service: Newshour **6.30** Mark Curry's Weekend Edition **9.30** Get Set... **10.30** Hopalong Cassidy **11.00** Test Match Special: England v Australia on the third day of the second Test. Including at **1.05** A View from the Boundary. Brian Johnston's guest is Ned Sherrin **1.30pm** Sport on Five. Cricket: second Test and county matches; Golf: US Open; Racing from Ascot; Tennis from Eastbourne **6.06** Six-O-Six **7.00** Football: England v Germany from the Silver Dome, Detroit **9.00** Le Top **9.30** Nightbeat **10.00** Sports Bulletin **10.15** The Way Out **12.00-12.10am** News; Sport

WORLD SERVICE

All times in BST. **4.30am** BBC English **4.45** News and Press Review in German **5.00** Morgenmagazin; Tips für Touristen **5.30** Jazz Now and Then **5.45** Worldbrief **6.00** News **6.30** Europe Today **7.00** News **7.10** News About Britain **7.15** The World Today **7.30** Meridian **8.00** Newsdesk **8.30** People and Politics **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** A Jolly Good Show **10.00** News **10.05** World Business Report **10.15** Worldbrief **10.30** Personal View **10.45** Sport **11.00** News **11.01** Printer's Devil **11.15** Letter from America **11.30** BBC English **11.45** Mittagsmagazin **Noon** Newsdesk **12.30pm** Meridian **1.00** News **1.10** Words of Faith **1.15** Multitrack 3 **1.45** Sports Roundup **2.00** News **3.01** Sportsworld **4.00** News **4.15** BBC English **4.30** Heute Aktuell **5.00** News **5.10** News About Britain **5.15** Sport **6.00** BBC English **6.30** Heute Aktuell **7.05** German Features **8.00** News **8.01** AD 1789 **8.45** From the Weeklies **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** Personal View **9.30** Meridian **10.00** News **11.10** News About Britain **11.15** Jazz for the Asking **11.45** Sport **Midnight** News **12.05am** Words of Faith **12.10** Book Choice **12.15** A Jolly Good Show **1.00** News **1.30** The Ken Bruce Show **2.00** News **2.01** Play of the Week: Horse on the Stairs **3.00** News **3.30** Just the Job **4.00** News **4.10** News About Britain **4.15** Sport

CLASSIC FM

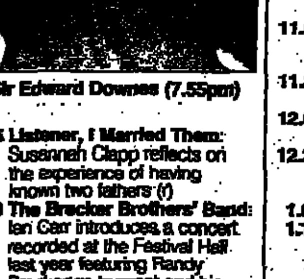
6.00am Sarah Lucas **9.00** Classic CD Chart Rundown **12.00** Petroc Trelawny **3.00pm** Nicky Horne **6.00** Classic America with Mel Cooper **7.00** Introduction to the Opera: Rossini's *La Cenerentola* **10.00** Six of the Best: Quiz with Quentin Howard **12.00-4.00am** André Leon

VIRGIN 1215

6.00am Graham Dene **10.00** Chris Evans **1.00pm** Emperor Rosko **4.00** Dave Fanning **8.00** Kevin Greening **11.00** Tommy Rivers **2.00-6.00am** Sandy Booch

RADIO 3

6.35am Open University: Hopkins's Religious Poetry
6.55 Weather
7.00 Record Review: Paul Guinery introduces new releases. Boccherini (Duo in B flat, G 59: Igor Ozim and Primoz Novsak, violins); C.P.E. Bach (Concerto in G, Wq 169: Jennifer Stinton, flute; Orchestra of St John's under John Lubbock); Napoléon Coste (Grande Sérénade, Op 30: Raphaella Smits, guitar); Richard Strauss (Symphony in F minor: Royal Scottish National Orchestra under Neeme Järvi); Prokofiev (Sonata No 7 in B flat: Alexei Sultanov, piano)
9.00 News
9.05 Record Review continues with Anthony Burton. **Building a Library**: Includes a review by Richard Wigmore of Haydn (The Seasons); new releases of contemporary music, including Schnittke's opera *Life with an Idiot* and recordings of modern British composers. **10.35 Record Release**: Simon Holt (... era madrugada: Nash Ensemble under Lionel Friend); Birtwistle (The Triumph of Time: Philharmonia under Elgar Howarth); **11.19** Roderick Swanston reviews the reissue of Vanguard's Bach Guild
1.00pm News
1.05 Handel and Company: The third of five programmes of concertos, sonatas and songs by Handel and his contemporaries
1.35 Test Match Special: England v Australia. The third afternoon's play of the second Test at Lord's. Commentary by Brian Johnston, Jonathan Agnew, Christopher Martin-Jenkins and Neville Oliver. With expert comment from Fred Trueman and Vic Marks. The scorer is Bill Frindall. During the tea interval at 3.45-4.00 the commentators answer listeners' questions
6.10 Evening Sequence: A selection of music on disc
7.10 Third Opinion: Michael Billington reviews highlights of the London International Festival of Theatre
7.55 Attila: Chorus and Orchestra of the Royal Opera House under Edward Downes perform Verdi's Venetian opera. Sung in Italian. With Samuel Ramey in the title role, Elizabeth Connell as Odabella, Dennis O'Neill as her lover Ezio and Giorgio Zancanaro as Ezio. **9.05 Hordes** (r). See Choice. **9.35** Act 2



Sir Edward Downes (7.55pm)

10.15 Listener, I Married Them: Susannah Clapp reflects on the experience of having known two fathers (r)
10.30 The Brecker Brothers' Band: Ian Carr introduces a concert recorded at the Festival Hall last year featuring Randy Brecker on trumpet and his brother Michael on saxophone
12.30-12.35am News

RADIO 4

5.55am Shipping **6.00** News Briefing, incl **6.03** Weather **6.10** The Farming Week from the EC Farm Council meeting in Luxembourg **6.50** Prayer for the Day **6.55** Weather **7.00** Today, incl **7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30** News **7.20** Listeners' Letters **7.25, 8.25** Sports News **7.45** Thought for the Day **7.55** Weather **8.40** Yesterday in Parliament **8.58** Weather
9.00 News 9.05 Sport on 4
9.30 Breakaway: Travel news
10.00 News; Postcard from Gotham: Mark Steyn looks at the week's American stories
10.30 Knowing Me, Knowing You: Conversation with *On the Hour*'s Alan Partridge and guests (r)
11.00 News; The Week in Westminster, with Alastair Campbell
11.30 Europhile, presented by Gordon Clough
12.00 Money Box, with Alison Mitchell
12.25pm Ukridge, by P.G. Wodehouse. Starring Griff Rhys Jones (r) **12.55** Weather
1.00 News
1.10 Any Questions? Jonathan Dimbleby is joined in Milborne Port, Somerset, by MPs Roy Hattersley and Sir Edward Heath; Jonathan Porritt, environmental campaigner; and Dame Shirley Porter, the former Lord Mayor of Westminster (r) **1.55** Shipping
2.00 News; Any Answers? 071-580 4444 from 12.30pm
2.30 Playhouse: Deborah's Daughter, by Pam Gems. While visiting a north African state to make a donation, Deborah Pedersen (Prunella Scales) is caught up in a coup initiated by Colonel Hassan (Raad Rawi). With Federay Holmes as Stephanie Pedersen (r)
4.00 News; You Know It Makes Sense: The Common Touch. The fifth of six programmes about the human senses
4.30 Science Now: Alun Lewis investigates memory
5.00 In the Club: Martin Wainwright meets music lovers
5.25 Travel Writers: See Choice **5.50** Shipping **5.55** Weather
6.00 News and Sport
6.25 Week Ending (r)
6.50 Home Truths: John Miller talks to the theatre director Michael Bogdanov (r)
7.20 Kaleidoscope: John Landis talks to Nigel Andrews about his new Dracula film, *Innocent Blood*, and his other work, including *The Blues Brothers*, *Twilight Zone* and *An American Werewolf in London*
7.50 Saturday Night at the Movies: The Postman Always Rings Twice. A dramatisation by Shaun McKenna of James M. Cain's thriller. Lana Turner and John Garfield starred in the original 1946 *film noir*, which was remade in 1981 with Jack Nicholson and Jessica Lange. With Myriam Cyr as Cora and William Hope as Frank Chambers
9.20 Music in Mind: Brian Kay with favourite melodies
9.50 Ten to Ten 9.59 Weather
10.00 News 10.15 Open Mind with Sarah Baxter and Henry Porter
10.45 Panscrub Voices: Henry Livings presents the first of three collections of malicious, abusive and bilious verse
11.00 Singing for a Living: Nigel Douglas talks to the Finnish baritone Tom Krause (r)
11.30 Winston in Europe (r)
12.00-12.43am News, incl **12.20** Weather **12.33** Shipping **12.43** As World Service (LW only)

Travel Writers: Colin Thubron. *Radio 4, 5.25pm.*
Never a writer of the "useful tips for tourists" school, Thubron sees the newly-independent central Asian nations of Uzbekistan and Tadzhikistan through eyes that proclaim that they have been fixed on historical and cultural perspectives well in advance of his travels. There is one concession to the conventional globetrotter's appetite for local colour. It is the sound of Thubron's shaving water gurgling down the sink in his Tashkent hotel bedroom. This new travel series has started with a winner.

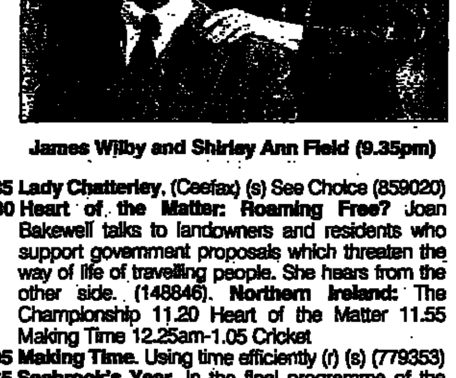
Hordes. *Radio 3, 9.05pm.*
We are promised an impression "in sound and fury" of the best-known Hun of them all. What we get is plenty of sound but not much fury beyond some thundering hooves and the scream of a woman in obvious but unspecified distress. As for the sound, Patrick Howarth's compilation of historical and literary references to Attila usefully eats up the interval in the live transmission of Verdi's *Attila* from Covent Garden. Howarth's tag for the Hun, "terror of the world", does not fit Verdi's Attila, an honourable man. **Peter Davalle**

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BBC1

7.00 Ceefax (16865)
7.30 Wiz Bang (r) (s) (9647662) **7.40 Charlie Chalk** (r) (9634198) **7.55 Playdays** (r) (4763556)
8.15 Breakfast With Frost. Includes **News** and weather at **8.15** and **9.00** (410759)
9.15 In Touch with Healing. Is there a scientific reason for healing? (r) (7344759)
9.30 This is the Day. Linda Mary Evans introduces live prayer and reflection from Tyneside where the local community is facing up to the closure of the Swan Hunter shipyard (s) (41371)
10.00 See Hear! For the hearing impaired (s) (85407)
10.30 Italianissimo. A visit to the Puglia region (r) (7406594) **10.45 Miniature Worlds.** A hedgehog's nighttime tour of a suburban garden (r) (2857914)
10.55 Cricket. The opening session of the fourth day's play in the second Test (16204136)
12.30 CountryFile. Why Scottish anglers are upset by the controversial practice of "drift-netting" salmon in the North Sea (8167049). **Wales:** Down to Earth **12.55 Weather** (72932407)
1.00 News followed by **On the Record.** Interviews with Kenneth Clarke and Jacques Delors (91812)
2.00 EastEnders (r). (Ceefax) (s) (86135)
3.00 Columbo: Short Fuse. The dishevelled detective investigates the murder of a business executive (r). (Ceefax) (9475914)
4.15 Biteback presented by Sue Lawley. Includes a discussion on the merits or otherwise of Ken Russell's television version of *Lady Chatterley's Lover.* (Ceefax) (s) (2226778)
4.55 Gardeners' World Live from the NEC, Birmingham. (Ceefax) (s) (5444681)
5.35 Masterchef. The second of three semi-finals of the amateur cooks' contest. With Loyd Grossman, Josceline Dimbleby and Stephen Fry. (Ceefax) (161469)
6.10 News with Moira Stuart. (Ceefax) Weather (911440)
6.25 Sweet Inspiration. Emma Nicholson, MP, chooses six hymns that have brought her inspiration. With Alan Titchmarsh. (Ceefax) (s) (444339)
7.00 Passport. Anneka Rice takes two couples to Hong Kong for a series of tough physical and mental tests. (Ceefax) (s) (193488)
7.50 Perry Mason: the Case of the Defiant Daughter. Perry Mason defends a man accused of murdering a gambler and is helped by the defendant's 13-year-old daughter. Starring Raymond Burr, Barbara Hale and Robert Culp. (Ceefax) (922310)
9.20 News with Michael Buerk. (Ceefax) Weather (263556)

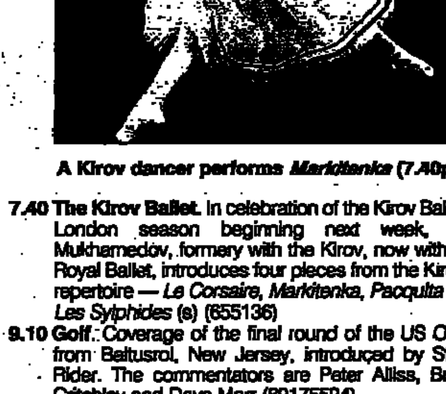


James Wilby and Shirley Ann Field (9.35pm)

9.35 Lady Chatterley. (Ceefax) (s) See Choice (859020)
10.30 Heart of the Matter: Roaming Free? Joan Bakewell talks to landowners and residents who support government proposals which threaten the way of life of travelling people. She hears from the other side. (148846). **Northern Ireland:** The Championship 11.20 Heart of the Matter 11.55 Making Time 12.25am-1.05 Cricket
11.05 Making Time. Using time efficiently (r) (s) (779353)
11.35 Seabrook's Year. In the final programme of the series shepherd and farm worker Richard Seabrook reflects on his last 12 months (r) (872681)
12.05am Cricket: Second Test. Highlights of the fourth day's play (9360537) **12.45 Weather** (1793605)

BBC2

6.15 Open University: The Industry of Culture (1164759) **6.40** Pure Maths: Conjugacy and Fixed Points (9180310) **7.05** Education: Through the Looking Glass (7990420) **7.30** The Work of a Family Centre (1744556) **7.55** Seville in the 16th Century (4785778) **8.20** The Education Reform Act (7849914) **8.45** Open Advice — Learning to Learn (4539730)
9.10 Thundercats (r) (7161372) **9.30 Jonny Briggs.** Episode 12 of the 13-part children's serial (r) (7595846) **9.50 The Movie Game** (r). (Ceefax) (s) (7599662) **10.15 Rugrats** (s) (6285136) **10.40 Grange Hill.** An episode from the second series of the school drama, first shown in 1979 (2613469) **11.00 Blue Peter Omnibus** (s) (5964136) **11.50 The O-Zone.** Pop music magazine (s) (4317681)
12.00 Regional. Westminster Programmes (86575). **Northern Ireland:** Greenfingers; **Wales:** A Cook's Tour of France
12.30 Sunday Grandstand introduced by Hazel Irvine. The line-up is (subject to alteration): **12.35** (8157662), **1.40** (93940681) and **4.00** (9643) Cricket: the fourth day's play in the second Test between England and Australia at Lord's: The commentators are Richie Benaud, Jack Bannister, Ray Illingworth and Geoff Boycott; **1.00** (5826556) Football and Golf: highlights of the second leg of the Italian cup final between Torino and AS Roma; and news from the third round of the US Open from Baltusrol, New Jersey; **3.40** (3618488) and **6.00** (579) Tennis: a preview of Wimbledon
6.30 Late Again Special. Kirsty Wark with highlights from the week's *Late Show* special on Italy (s) (371)
7.00 The Money Programme. An examination of how the government's plans to privatise large parts of the civil service have been threatened by EC laws designed to protect workers' rights (582594)



A Kirov dancer performs *Markitenka* (7.40pm)

7.40 The Kirov Ballet. In celebration of the Kirov Ballet's London season beginning next week, Irek Mukhamedov, formerly with the Kirov, now with the Royal Ballet, introduces four pieces from the Kirov's repertoire — *Le Corsaire, Markitenka, Paquita* and *Les Sylphides* (s) (655136)
9.10 Golf. Coverage of the final round of the US Open from Baltusrol, New Jersey, introduced by Steve Rider. The commentators are Peter Alliss, Bruce Critchley and Dave Marr (89175594)
11.10 Moviedrome. Alex Cox introduces **The Hill** (1965, b/w) starring Sean Connery, Harry Andrews and Michael Redgrave. Tough and compelling drama set in a North African military detention centre during the second world war where a sadistic sergeant major makes life intolerable for five new inmates — until they rebel against the harsh discipline. Directed by Sidney Lumet. (Ceefax) (88466469). Ends **1.20**

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Artist at work: Dame Elisabeth Frink (ITV, 11.35pm)

The South Bank Show: Frink 1930-1993
ITV, 11.35pm

On Easter day Dame Elisabeth Frink's strikingly unusual sculpture of Christ was unveiled at the Anglican cathedral in Liverpool. A week later she died of cancer at the age of 62. The story of the conception and production of the Liverpool Christ frames a perceptive survey of Frink's work conducted by the art critic Bryan Robertson. There is little on Frink's life, beyond the bare bones of her Suffolk upbringing, a sojourn in France and final years in Dorset. Her three marriages are mentioned but not elaborated. This is essentially an exercise in art appreciation, stressing Frink's boldness, lack of sentimentality and determination to stick to figurative sculpture even when it became unfashionable to do so.

Lady Chatterley
BBC1, 9.35pm

Ken Russell's drama continues to impress with its uncluttered narrative and cool, responsible treatment of sensational material. It is time, too, to applaud the supporting performances. Sir Clifford Chatterley, the crippled, class-obsessed cuckold cannot help leaning towards caricature and it says much for James Wilby that he offsets this as much as he does. Shirley Anne Field contributes a sharp portrait of the embittered housekeeper. Of the principal players, Sean Bean's gamekeeper still seems too much the simple country boy but Joely Richardson in the title role could hardly be bettered. Photography, costumes and decor make the production handsomely watchable.

Sound Stuff: Arvo Pärt
Channel 4, 7.00pm

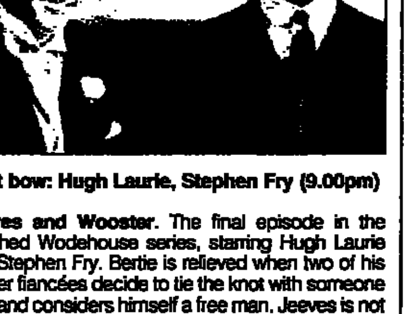
This study of the Berlin-based Estonian calls itself "a journey into the mind of a composer". Some may feel it is an unrevealing one. Pärt has been called a minimalist and the film is in similar vein. There is no commentary, very little speech and many puzzling images. Anyone wanting to know about the subject's background, upbringing and place in contemporary music will have to go elsewhere. We get the message that Pärt is a bit of a mystic. With his huge black beard he looks like some medieval monk. He is also a wag. Why is he holding a banana to his ear? "Speak up", he says, "I have a banana in my ear". The film's running joke is asking people into the street whether they have heard of Arvo Pärt. Nobody has.

The Long Summer
Channel 4, 8.00pm

The concluding film on British social life between the wars looks at the army of writers, photographers and film-makers who set out to explore the culture of the industrial working-class. The programme includes such expected ingredients as Orwell's *Road to Wigan Pier.* Mass Observation and the GPO Film Unit. It also pays tribute to the pioneering radio producer Olive Shapley, who defied the prevailing timidity at the BBC by allowing ordinary people access to the microphone. Academics add a useful gloss, pointing out the gulf that remained between the middle-class investigators and the world they invaded. The only criticism of an intelligent series is that it has tried to cram too much into too short a space. **Peter Waymark**

ITV LONDON

6.00 GMTV (5510240)
9.25 Heidi. The story of a Swiss girl living with a grumpy grandfather (8661662) **9.50 The New Adventures of Black Beauty** (7030310) **10.20 The Littlest Hobo.** Adventures of a shepherd dog (6279575)
10.45 Link. Sian Vasey introduces a profile of Mary Benson, the white South African biographer of Nelson Mandela, who suffers from rheumatoid arthritis. (Ceefax) (7496117)
11.00 Morning Worship from Bearsden South Parish Church, Glasgow (60448)
12.00 Divine Inspiration. Lighthearted panel game on religious knowledge. This week's guests are Canon Bill Ritson, author of *Vicar's World,* Anglican nun Sister Hilda Mary, Bishop Peter Firth and Father Damian Sturdy (s) (73001)
12.30 Crosstalk. Peter Allen looks at the future for London's hospitals. Followed by **Regional Weather** (41335)
1.00 News with Tim Ewart. Weather (50518765)
1.10 Sunday Supplement. Edwina Currie, MP, meets the editor of the *Independent on Sunday,* Ian Jack (s) (5715335)
2.00 Highway. Sir Harry Secombe visits Worcester. (Teletext) (2412681) **2.35 Cartoon Time** (4611310)
2.45 Film: Pippi in the South Seas (1969) starring Inger Nilsson. Children's adventure in which the redoubtable young lady battles with pirates who have kidnapped her father. Directed by Olle Hellbom (87992533)
4.35 Highway To Heaven American drama series starring Michael Landon (5407056)
5.30 The $64,000 Question. Game show presented by Bob Monkhouse (s) (662)
6.00 London Tonight (Teletext) and weather (656001)
6.20 ITN News with Julia Somerville. Weather (548643)
6.30 Watching. Romantic comedy series starring Emma Wray and Paul Bown (r). (Teletext) (827)
7.00 Surprise, Surprise. Cilla Black springs the unexpected on a member of the audience and viewers at home. With Showaddywaddy, Eric Bristow and Geoff Capes. (Teletext) (s) (7759)
8.00 Heartbeat. The last episode in the series starring Nick Berry as a London policeman who moves to the Yorkshire Moors with his doctor wife, Niamh Cusack. (Teletext) (s) (6407)

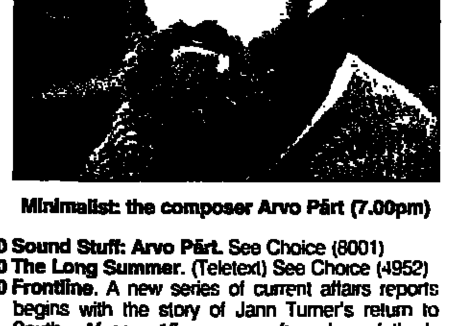


Last bow: Hugh Laurie, Stephen Fry (9.00pm)

9.00 Jeeves and Wooster. The final episode in the polished Wodehouse series, starring Hugh Laurie and Stephen Fry. Bertie is relieved when two of his former fiancées decide to tie the knot with someone else and considers himself a free man. Jeeves is not so sure. (Teletext) (6643)
10.00 Aspel & Company. Michael Aspel's guests include Victoria Wood and Kate Bush (917778)
10.45 Spitting Image. More satire from the latex look-alikes (s) (442223)
11.15 News with Julia Somerville. Weather (365681)
11.35 The South Bank Show: Frink 1930-1993 (s). See Choice (275907)
12.35 Cue the Music. Music from the reggae band Steel Pulse (9115518)
1.35 TXT. Music and chat show (8982228)
2.30 Memories of 1970-1991. A review of 1986 (s) (55402)
3.30 European Snooker League. The second of the semi-finals (57570)
5.30 ITN Morning News (97421). Ends at **6.00**

CHANNEL 4

6.00 Trans World Sport (9486136) **6.55 Spiff and Hercules.** Cat and dog cartoon series (2346198) **7.10 The Wombles** (r) (1074730) **7.15 Bunch of Munsch** (5990240) **7.40 Sharky and George** (1768136) **8.05 Doug.** Animation (2837827) **8.35 The Adventures of T-Rex.** Cartoon (4535914)
9.00 California Dreams. Part nine of the 13-part drama about a rock band (91407) **9.30 Dennis** Cartoon series (r) (3766556)
9.45 Flipper (260556) **10.15 The Lone Ranger** (b/w) (285865) **10.45 Land of the Giants** (r) (415204)
11.45 Little House on the Prairie. Adventures of a close-knit Kansas Plains family (411488)
12.45 Those British Faces: A Tribute To Alastair Sim, narrated by Richard Todd (566865)
1.15 The Green Man (1956, b/w) starring Alastair Sim, George Cole and Terry-Thomas. Classic British black comedy directed by Robert Day. (Teletext) (9027643)
2.40 Ganesh the Elephant God. Naresh Bedi's film contrast the two ways the Indian elephant is treated (r) (7894488)
3.45 Better Late Than Never. Animation from Cuba looking at the miracle of birth (8961662)
3.50 Orchestral The roles of violins and violas (r) (s) (3238594)
4.25 The Christians. The second of Bamber Gascoigne's ten-part series on the origins of Christianity (r). (Teletext) (3400681)
5.25 News summary and weather (6981204)
5.30 The Next Big Thing. Series following the fortunes of an aspiring singer/songwriter, Leona Naess, who is still at school (s) (204)
6.00 The Real World. Part two of 13 documentaries about seven young Americans who have never met and are invited to share a New York apartment (117)
6.30 Press Gang. Award-winning drama series about the young staff of a junior newspaper (r) (s) (469)



Minimalist: the composer Arvo Pärt (7.00pm)

7.00 Sound Stuff: Arvo Pärt. See Choice (8001)
8.00 The Long Summer. (Teletext) See Choice (4952)
8.30 Frontline. A new series of current affairs reports begins with the story of Jann Turner's return to South Africa, 15 years after her father's assassination, to try and find his killers. (Teletext) (5989)
9.00 Film: The Lady in White (1988) starring Lukas Haas. A supernatural shocker directed by Frank LaLoggia. (Teletext) (s) (93482339)
11.05 First Sex. The first of a new magazine series for women (s) (755285)
12.05am Film: Walls of Glass (1985) starring Philip Bosco and Geraldine Page. The *World Cinema* season continues with this drama about a New York cabbie who tries to live up to the ideals of his dead father by becoming a Shakespearean actor. Directed by Scott Goldstein (669841)
1.40 Film: Criminal Code (1931, b/w) starring Walter Huston. A prison warden befriends a young murderer whom he believes can be reformed. Directed by Howard Hawks (194624)
3.30 The Shortest Night. A live view of James Turrell light work *Air Mass,* a rectangular aperture in the ceiling of London's Hayward Gallery, as night unfolds into the longest day (253860). Ends at **6.15**

VARIATIONS

ANGLIA
As London except: 9.25 Film: Care Bears Movie II (1439469) **10.05** Cartoons (8521488) **10.15-10.45** The Littlest Hobo (287223) **12.30-1.00** Countrywide (852117) **2.35** Dinosaures (5041556) **3.05-5.30** Film: True Grit (84461020) **6.00-6.20** Anglia News (656001) **12.35** Quiz Night (8506063) **1.05** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (1709266) **1.35** Film: Sandokan Fights Back (893518) **3.05** The New Music (3275711) **4.05** Entertainment UK (2027841) **5.00-5.30** America's Top Ten (12421)

CENTRAL
As London except: 9.25 Film: Care Bears Movie II (1439469) **10.05** Cartoon Time (8521488) **10.15-10.45** The Littlest Hobo (287223) **12.30-1.00** Central Newsweek (8152117) **2.35** Take 15 (8481136) **2.50** Michael Landon (24521846) **4.40-5.30** Highway to Heaven (5418662) **6.00** Cartoon Time (940952) **6.15-6.20** Central News (567778) **12.35** Prisoner: Cell Block H (9127353) **1.30** Riviera (8963957) **2.25** ITV Chart Show (2963082) **3.25** Cue the Music (3271995) **4.25** Jobfinder (2048975) **5.20-5.30** Asian Eye (5509686)

HTV WEST
As London except: 9.25 Film: Chips, the War Dog (1809827) **10.15-10.45** The Littlest Hobo (287223) **12.30-1.00** HTV Newsweek (41335) **2.35** Meredith on Sunday (5041556) **3.05** Wrestling (8223020) **3.55** The Ultimate Stuntman (9610001) **4.50** Magnum (5405198) **5.45-6.20** The $64,000 Question (169488) **12.35** Quiz Night (8506063) **1.05** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (1709266) **1.35** Film: Sandokan Fights Back (2629889) **3.05** The New Music (3243112) **4.05** Entertainment UK (4355266) **5.00-5.30** America's Top Ten (12421)

HTV WALES
As HTV West except: 12.30-1.00 Playback **2.35-3.05** Wales on Sunday.

MERIDIAN
As London except: 9.25 Film: The Care Bears Movie II (1439646) **10.05** Warner Cartoon (8521488) **10.15-10.45** The Littlest Hobo (287223) **12.30** Meridian This Week (3208488) **12.50-1.00** Meridian News (33823643) **2.35** Film: Father Came Too (24519001) **4.20** Life Goes On (1466196) **5.15** £64,000 Question (160117) **5.45** Fit to Win (169488) **6.15-6.20** Meridian News (567778) **10.00** Spitting Image (74730) **10.30-11.15** Aspel & Company (870933) **12.35** Vengeance (8506063) **1.05** ITV Chart Show (2406353) **2.05** Kojak (2974334) **3.15** The Pier (7551315) **3.50** Derrick (1752226) **5.00-5.30** Freescreen (14221)

TYNE TEES
As London except: 9.25 Film: Polly (1809827) **10.15-10.45** The New Adventures of Black Beauty (287223) **12.25** The Littlest Hobo (8515575) **12.50-1.00** Tyne Tees Newsweek (33823643) **2.35** Film: The Bobo (79897169) **4.25** Life Goes On (1465469) **5.20** The $64,000 Question (9614662) **5.50-6.20** Tyne Tees Weekend (157914) **12.35** Quiz Night (8506063) **1.05** The Beat (2406353) **2.10** Film: Jeena Marna Tere Sang (95868686) **4.50-5.30** Jobfinder (9558082)

ULSTER
As London except: 9.25 Film: Polly (1809827) **10.15-10.45** The New Adventures of Black Beauty (287223) **12.25-1.00** Gardening Time (9608827) **2.35** Police Six (29634049) **2.45** Highway to Heaven **3.45** Athletics **4.45** The $64,000 Question (163204) **5.15-5.20** Coronation Street (317223) **12.35** Quiz Night (8506063) **1.05** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (1709266) **1.35** Film: Sandokan Fights Back (2629889) **3.05** The New Music (3243112) **4.05** Entertainment UK (4355266) **5.00-5.30** America's Top Ten (12421)

WESTCOUNTRY
As London except 9.25 Film: Care Bears Movie II (1439469) **10.05** Cartoon Time (8521488) **10.15-10.45** The Littlest Hobo (287223) **12.30-1.00** Westcountry Update (8152117) **2.35** Film: Getting Physical (24519001) **4.20** Highway to Heaven (1466196) **5.15** Brief Encounters (160117) **5.45-6.20** The $64,000 Question (169488) **12.35** Quiz Night (8506063) **1.05** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (1709266) **1.35** Film: Sandokan Fights Back (2629889) **3.05** The New Music (3243112) **4.05** Entertainment UK (4355266) **5.00-5.30** America's Top Ten (12421)

YORKSHIRE
As London except: 9.25 Film: Polly (1809827) **10.15-10.45** the New Adventures of Black Beauty (287223) **12.25** The Littlest Hobo (9515575) **12.50-1.00** Calendar News (33823643) **2.35** Film: The Bobo (79897169) **4.25** Life Goes On (1465469) **5.20** The $64,000 Question (9614662) **5.50-6.20** Calendar (157914) **12.35** Quiz Night (8506063) **1.05** The Beat (2406353) **2.10** Film: Jeena Marna Tere Sang (95868686) **4.50-5.30** Jobfinder (9558082)

S4C
Starts: 7.10 Children's Programmes **1.15** Earle, Indiana (553778) **1.45** Wild India (781759) **2.45** Those British Faces: A Tribute To Margaret Leighton (536001) **3.15** Film: The Winslow Boy (95512372) **5.20** Mr Rossi Goes Skiing (6973285) **5.30** Pobol Y Cwm (32182440) **7.15** Fe Hoffwn I (171223) **7.45** Hel Straeon (170594) **8.15** Cynhadledd Enwadol (617827) **8.35** Newyddion (875049) **8.40** Saith Diwrnod Ar Y Sul (597759) **8.55** True Stories: Dog Eat Dog (2513730) **10.25** Film: Tin Men (327682) **12.25** ENG (8826006) **1.20** Close

SATELLITE

SKY ONE
8.00am *Hour of Power* (97827) **7.00** Fun Factory (8748136) **11.30** The Brady Bunch (89846) **12.00** WWF Challenge (41914) **1.00pm** Robin of Sherwood (50662) **2.00** The Love Boat (28136) **3.00** WKRP In Cincinnati (7827) **3.30** Fashion TV (2865) **4.00** UK Top 40 (59469) **5.00** All-American Wrestling (1407) **6.00** The Simpsons (47198) **7.00** The Young Indiana Jones Chronicles (84643) **8.00** The Last Frontier: Linda Evans stars in the first of a two-part mini series (10967) **10.00** Hill Street Blues (83914) **11.00** Wiseguy (34265) **12.00** Skytext

SKY NEWS
News on the hour.
6.00am Sunrise (4513092) **9.30** Frost on Sunday (50643) **11.30** National Gallery (22933) **12.30pm** *Financial Times* Reports (49907) **1.30** Target (89466) **2.30** Roving Report (24730) **3.30** *Financial Times* Reports (40049) **4.30** Memories of 1970-1991 (5198) **5.00** Live at Five (12285) **6.30** Roving Report (49049) **7.30** *Financial Times* Reports (6827) **9.30** Target (23662) **10.30** Roving Report (41846) **11.30** ABC News (15933) **12.30am** Those Were The Days (42605) **1.30** ABC News (19150) **2.30** Target (25860) **3.30** ABC News (37605) **4.30** The National Gallery (39402) **5.30-6.00** Beyond 2000 (26957)

SKY MOVIES PLUS
6.00am Showcase (78488)
8.00 Tom Brown's Schooldays (1951, b/w). John Howard Davies plays the Rugby scholar (19488)
10.00 Wonder of It All (1986): Wildlife documentary (68223)
12.00 Treasure Island (1974): Swashbuckling cartoon adventure (32339)
2.00pm End of the Line (1987): Railroad employees Wilford Brimley and Levon Helm steal a vintage engine (55074)
4.00 One Against the Wind (1991): Judy Davis stars as the second world war heroine Mary Lindell (30715001)
5.45 The Freshman (1990): Film student Matthew Broderick works for gangster Marlon Brando (96578827)
7.30 Xposure: Film news (8681)
8.00 The Fisher King (1991): Terry Gilliam's romantic fantasy stars Jeff Bridges and Robin Williams. A fallen disc jockey befriends a philosophical down-and-out (61190594)
10.20 Young Guns II (1990). Emilio Estevez returns as Billy the Kid (850575)
12.05am Zandalee (1990): Love triangle drama with Nicolas Cage, Erika Anderson and Judge Reinhold (958773)
1.50 Adam's Woman (1970): Beau Bridges plots to escape from an Australian penal colony (98239678)
4.00 Quigley Down Under (1990): Gunman Tom Selleck works for Australian land baron Alan Rickman (96165247). Ends at **6.00**

SKY MOVIES GOLD
4.00pm Shadow of a Doubt (1943, b/w): Teresa Wright suspects that uncle Joseph Cotten is a murderer (9223)
6.00 The Spy Who Came in from the Cold (1965): Richard Burton infiltrates the KGB (87778)
8.00 The Caine Mutiny (1954): The crew of an American battleship mutinies against captain Humphrey Bogart (82223)
10.00 Taxi Driver (1976): Martin Scorsese's violent drama stars Robert De Niro and Jodie Foster (429594). Ends at **11.50**

THE MOVIE CHANNEL
6.00am It Should Happen To You (1953): Judy Holliday rents a billboard and becomes a celebrity overnight (69730)
8.00 Clambake (1967): Musical starring Elvis Presley (88830)
10.00 She (1965). Ursula Andress plays an immortal queen (64885)
12.00 Where the Red Fern Grows (1990): A disabled soldier returns home after the second world war (23681)
2.00pm Pink Lightning (1991). Five women embark on a journey in a pink Cadillac. Starring Sarah Buxton (55056)
4.00 Dinosaurs — The Movie (1991) Prehistoric adventure (7681)
6.00 Home Alone (1990): Macaulay Culkin outwits burglars Joe Pesci and Daniel Stern (85372)
8.00 Almost an Angel (1990): Paul Hogan believes that he has died (97117)
10.00 Servants of Twilight (1992): Religious fanatics plot to kill a six-year-old boy. Starring Bruce Greenwood (849469)
11.40 The Further Adventures of Tennessee Buck (1988): David Keith takes an American couple on safari (225339)
1.05am The End (1978): Burt Reynolds tries to commit suicide (360228)
3.00 Foxes (1980) Four girls grow up in small-town America. Starring Jodie Foster and Marilyn Kagan (633773)
4.45 Home Alone (as 6pm) (8582632). Ends at **6.00**

SKY SPORTS
6.00am Rugby League (as 1pm) (284865) **8.30** NHRA Drag Racing (90391) **9.00** Red Line (85594) **10.00** Manchester Open Tennis (38049) **12.00** Chris Evert's Wimbledon Farewell (31136) **1.00pm** Rugby League. New Zealand v Australia (40372) **3.00** European PGA Golf (514407) **6.00** US Open Golf (4386198) **11.00** Rugby League (as 1pm) (65952) **1.00-2.00am** Motor Racing. Canadian Grand Prix (23179)

EUROSPORT
7.30am Step Aerobics (64440) **8.00** Le Mans 24-Hour Race (51488) **10.00** Boxing (93952) **11.00** Le Mans 24-Hour Race (80488) **12.00** Football — America Cup (26204) **1.00pm** Le Mans 24-Hour Race (374681) **3.30** Tennis from Eastbourne (35662) **5.00** Football: Argentina v Mexico (77440) **7.00** IAAF Athletics (72469) **9.00** Olympics Magazine (23989) **9.30** Football: Columbia v Bolivia (61575) **11.30-12.30am** Le Mans 24-Hour Race

UK GOLD
7.00am Michael Bentine's Potty Time (3965952) **7.30** Owl TV (3951759) **8.00** Lassie (4000117) **8.30** Dog House (4009488) **9.00** Dr Who: Mind of Evil (73938846) **11.50** Film: Annie Oakley (1935, b/w) starring Barbara Stanwyck and Preston Foster (53663914) **1.25pm** Film: The Lady Wants Mink (1953) starring Ruth Hussey and Dennis O'Keefe (25083556) **3.00** The Bill Omnibus (5760759) **5.30** David Copperfield (7446339) **6.00** The District Nurse (6944594) **7.00** Sorry! (4717865) **7.30** Sharon and Elsie (7423488) **8.00** A Horseman Riding By (8564933) **9.00** *Elizabeth R: starring Glenda Jackson* (45387488) **10.45** Life Without George (1432865) **11.15** Colin's Sandwich (1439778) **11.45** In Concert: The Pet Shop Boys (6355594) **1.00am** What's in Store Home Shopping

THE CHILDREN'S CHANNEL
6.00am The Best of Jack in the Box (79469) **7.00** Commander Crumbcake (62681) **7.30** Widget (56488) **8.00** Cartoon Classics (31662) **8.30** Ratkan It (811038) **11.30** Cartoon Classics (34198) **12.00** Dungeons and Dragons (41049) **12.30pm** New Fantastic Four (52643) **1.00** Once a Hero (57198) **2.00** 3-2-1 Contact (9846) **2.30** My Favourite Martians (8846) **3.00** Chicken Minute (1681) **3.30** Round the Bend (3391) **4.00** Winners (57049) **5.00** Katts and Dog (6858) **5.30** Fifteen (2662) **6.00-7.00** Fame (60662)

RADIO 3

6.35am Open University: Europe — Socialising the Market
6.55 Weather
7.00 Sunday Morning Concert: Britten (Four Sea Interludes, Peter Grimes); Respighi (Fountains of Rome); Ravel (Piano Concerto in G); Lehar (Gold and Silver Waltz); Joseph Horovitz (Adagio cantabile); Beethoven (Symphony No 6 in F, Pastoral)
9.00 News
9.05 Brian Kay's Sunday Morning: Mendelssohn (Overture, A Midsummer Night's Dream: Montreal SO under Dutoit); Bach (Kann ich nur Jesum mir zum Freunde machen, Cantata No 105: Kathleen Battle, soprano, Itzhak Perlman, violin; Orchestra of St Luke's under John Nelson), Delius (Summer Night on the River: London Philharmonic under Handley); Tchaikovsky (June, The Seasons: Katia and Marielle Labèque, pianos); Mendelssohn (Scherzo; Intermezzo; Nocturne; Wedding March, A Midsummer Night's Dream, Montreal SO under Dutoit); Soler (Concerto No 1 in C for two organs: Peter Hurford and Thomas Trotter, organs); **10.08** *Composer of the Week* preview. Jonathan Harvey (I Love the Lord: Winchester Cathedral Choir under Martin Neary), Artists of the Week: Orpheus Chamber Orchestra performs Mozart (Galimathias Musicum, K32); Purcell (Bess of Bedlam: From Rosy Bow'rs); Guarnieri (The Great Fred Harding Circus Shout: Tim Turner, piano), Bloch (Concerto Grosso No 1: Eastman-Rochester Orchestra); Rameau (La Danse — excerpts: Monteverdi Choir and Orchestra); Weber (Horn Concertino in E minor Anthony Halstead); Janáček (Sinfonietta: Philharmonia)
12.00 Spirit of the Age: Christopher Page discusses the tradition of choral singing in Britain with Timothy Brown and Timothy Day **1.00pm News**
1.05 Handel and Company: The fourth of five programmes of concertos, sonatas and songs by Handel and his contemporaries
1.35 Test Match Special: England v Australia. Coverage of the fourth afternoon's play. Including at **3.45-4.00** At the Bookstall: Recent cricket publications
6.10 Evening Sequence: A selection of music on disc
7.10 Stephen Hough, piano, plays Grieg (Six Lyric Pieces); Schoenberg (Six Little Pieces, Op 19); Beethoven (Piano Sonata in C minor, Op 111)
8.10 Sunday Play: The Building of the House. See Choice
9.25 Northern Sinfonia under George Cleve performs Rossini (Overture, L'Italiana in Algeri; Pas de Six, William Tell); Shostakovich (Concerto for piano, trumpet and strings: John Lill, piano, Richard Martin, trumpet); Haydn (Symphony No 103 in E flat, Drum Roll)
10.35 The Romantic Psalmist: BBC Singers under Simon Joly perform Spohr (Three Psalms, Op 85); Meyerbeer (Psalm 91)
11.15 Music in Our Time: Avanti! under Jukka-Pekka Saraste performs Ligeti (Chamber Concerto); Kaija Saariaho (Amers for cello and orchestra: Anssi Karttunen, cello); Magnus Lindberg (Joy)
12.30-12.35am News

RADIO 4

5.55am Shipping **6.00** News Briefing, incl **6.03** Weather **6.10** Prelude **6.30** News; Morning Has Broken, incl Bells on Sunday from St John the Baptist, Sedlescombe, Sussex **6.55** Weather **7.00** News **7.10** Sunday Papers **7.15** On Your Farm: Robin Page visits Peter and Penny Rogers on the Scilly Isles **7.40** Sunday
8.50 Patrick Moore appeals for the *Week's Good Cause* on behalf of the Bath Institute of Medical Engineering **8.55** Weather
9.00 News 9.10 Sunday Papers
9.15 Letter from America (r)
9.30 Morning Service from the Roman Catholic Church of the Sacred Heart, Highfields, Leicester
10.15 The Archers: Omnibus edition
11.15 News Stand, with Martin Wainwright
11.30 Pick of the Week (r)
12.15pm Desert Island Discs: Sue Lawley's castaway is the singer Joan Baez **12.55** Weather
1.00 The World This Weekend, with Nick Clarke **1.55** Shipping
2.00 Gardeners' Question Time: Members of the Ulster New Zealand Trust in Glenavy, County Antrim, put their questions to Dr Stefan Buczacki, Crosbie Cochrane and Fred Downham. Chairman Clay Jones
2.30 Classic Serial: The Sea, The Sea. See Choice
3.30 The Radio Programme, presented by Laurie Taylor
4.00 News; Analysis: Melanie Phillips on moral values (r)
4.47 Smashing Pots: In the first of five talks, Nigel Barley enthuses about African pots and their meanings
5.00 News; Roads to Freedom: Documentary on Harold Wolpe, a lawyer for the African National Congress (1/2) (r)
5.30 Poetry Please! Simon Rae's guest is Michael Rosen **5.50** Shipping Forecast **5.55** Weather
6.00 Six O'Clock News
6.15 Feedback (r)
6.30 Europhile, presented by Gordon Clough (r)
7.00 The Board Game: Nigel Cassidy chairs the business quiz. The panellists are Howard Hodgson, Alastair Ross-Goobey, Nigel Whittaker and Peter Day (r)
7.30 Bookshelf: Nigel Forde and Deborah Cherry discuss Victorian women artists; and modern images of village life in fact and fiction (r)
8.00 Concerto: The guitarist Pepe Romero talks to June Knox-Mawer, and introduces his recordings of music by Albeniz and Boccherini, and the *Concierto para una Fiesta,* composed for him by Rodrigo
9.00 The Natural History Programme explores Britain's wetlands (r)
9.30 Special Assignment (r) **9.59** Weather **10.00 News**
10.15 Thatched Cottage, Nooky Pub: Frank Barrett takes a wry look at how Britain is sold to foreign tourists. In the 1960s, David Ogilvy conceived the image of Britain as a land of thatched cottages by idyllic village greens. Nowadays we sell selected images to different countries
11.00 In Committee, presented by Robert Orchard
11.30 Seeds of Faith: The final programme in a series looking at life in dispersed communities. Christine Waring reflects on the birth pains of the community of St Peter
12.00-12.43am News, incl **12.20** Weather **12.33** Shipping **12.43** As World Service (LW only)

The Building of the House. *Radio 3, 8.10pm.*

David Brett's play, structured around the parents (Ian McElhinney, Geraldine Fitzgerald) of a drowned girl, makes imaginative use of the alternating darkness and light in Mozart's *The Magic Flute.* Brett also makes good use of sudden death in Northern Ireland. His main preoccupation, however, is the theme of the constant regeneration of life, symbolised by the building of a modern house on a plot of land where others once lived and died. "We are the skin on the surface of things that lie compressed beneath" is the message of *The Building of the House.* It is subtly transmitted.

The Classic Serial: The Sea, The Sea. *Radio 4, 2.30pm.*

Irish Murdoch's novel is about an actor/theatre director who makes the mistake of thinking that he can shake off the past by removing himself to a remote house by the sea. It was a 1978 Booker Prize winner. Richard Crane has adapted it in four parts, and John Wood plays the Prospero-type would-be recluse. Episode one is heavily theatrical, but undeniably atmospheric, with music by Elizabeth Parker and direction by Faynia Williams. **Peter Davalle**

RADIO 1
FM Stereo and MW. **4.00am** Neale James (FM until 6.00am) **7.00** Gary Davies **10.00** Dave Lee Travis **1.00pm** Number Ones on 1 FM **2.30** Rockline **4.00** The UK Top 40 **7.00** The Official 1 FM Album Chart **8.00** Anne Nightingale **10.00** Gary Davies (FM from 12.00) **1.00-4.00am** Claire Sturgess (FM only)

RADIO 2
FM Stereo. **4.00am** Barbara Sturgeon **7.00** Don Maclean **9.05** John Sachs **10.30** Hayes on Sunday **12.00** Desmond Carrington **2.00pm** Benny Green **3.00** Alan Dell **4.00** The Richard Ingrams Column **4.30** Sing Something Simple **5.00** Charlie Chester **7.00** Richard Baker **8.30** Sunday Half Hour from the Church of St Mary the Virgin, Higham Ferrers, Northamptonshire **9.00** Alan Keith **10.00** Radio 2 Arts Programme: Stephen Sondheim **12.05am** John Terrett **3.00-5.00** Alex Lester

RADIO 5
6.00am World Service **6.30** Mark Curry's Weekend Edition **9.30** The Adventures of Tintin **10.05** Johnnie Walker **11.00** Test Match Special: England v Australia **1.00pm** Sunday Sport. Cricket: second Test; AXA Equity and Law Sunday league; Golf: US Open; Tennis: Wimbledon preview; Motor Racing: Le Mans 24-hour race **7.20** Open University: New Curiosity Shop — Chance and Randomness, **7.40** Witness to Change; **8.00** The Faust Legend; **8.20** Assignment 103; **8.40** Countdown to Trig; **9.00** Open Forum; **9.40** Modern Art **10.10** Across the Line **12.00-12.10am** News; Sport

WORLD SERVICE
All times in BST. **4.30am** BBC English **4.45** News and Press Review in German **5.00** Sunday Feature; Tips für Touristen **5.30** Short Story: Tides and Near Occasions of Love **5.45** Pop the Question **6.00** News **7.10** News About Britain **7.15** Printer's Devil **7.30** Jazz for the Asking **8.00** News **8.30** From Our Own Correspondent **8.50** Write On **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** Classics with Kay **10.00** News **10.05** World Business Review **10.15** Short Story: Tides and Near Occasions of Love **10.30** Folk Routes **10.45** Sport **11.00** News **11.01** Science in Action **11.30** BBC English **11.45** News and Press Review in German **Noon** News **12.30pm** The Ken Bruce Show **1.00** News **1.01** Play of the Week: Horse on the Stairs **2.00** News **3.01** The Third Age **3.30** Anything Goes **4.00** News **4.15** BBC English **4.30** News and Features in German **5.00** News **5.10** News About Britain **5.15** Just the Job **5.45** Letter from America **6.00** BBC English **6.30** News and Features in German **8.00** Classic Recordings **8.30** Europe Today **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** Folk Routes **9.30** Brain of Britain **10.00** News **11.10** News About Britain **11.15** Short Story: Tides and Near Occasions of Love **11.30** Letter from America **11.45** Sport **Midnight** News **12.05am** World Business Review **12.15** Classics with Kay **1.00** News **1.30** In Praise of God **2.01** AD 1789 **2.45** The Contemporary Virtuoso **3.00** News **3.30** Composer of the Month: Grieg **4.00** News **4.10** News About Britain **4.15** Sport

CLASSIC FM
6.00am Sarah Lucas **9.00** Classic Romance **12.00** Celebrity Choice: Rabbi Lionel Blue **1.00pm** Nicky Horne **3.00** Robert Booth **7.00** Authentic Performance **8.00** Evening Concert: Leonard Bernstein conducts Offenbach (Gaîté parisienne), Bach (Concerto No 1 in D minor, BWV 1052); Bizet (Symphony in C); Stravinsky (Suite, Pulcinella) **10.00** Contemporary Classics **12.00-6.00am** André Leon

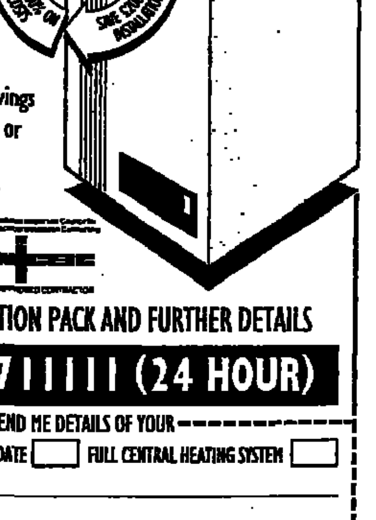
VIRGIN 1215
6.00am Graham Dene **10.00** Virgin Classic Tracks with Kevin Greening **4.00pm** The Virgin-Labatt's Album Chart **7.00** Jonathan Coleman **10.00** Nick Abbot **2.00-6.00am** Sandy Beach

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DAVID FLUSFEDER PREVIEWS THE BEST OF NEXT WEEK'S TELEVISION

Divine music by a holy fool



If you are looking for an escape from the worked-up "drama" of whether a British player will make it into the second week of Wimbledon, you'll find it in the company of some chatty chimpanzees, or the stern, camp Barbara Woodhouse. Or you can take refuge in music — the final of the *Cardiff Singer of the World* competition (today, BBC2, 7.30pm), the slightly cracked sublimity of the Estonian composer Arvo Pärt (tomorrow), and a rock doc on the Everly Brothers (Friday).

Sound Stuff: Who is Arvo Pärt?
Tomorrow, Channel 4, 7pm
Arvo Pärt looks the part of a God-inspired genius (or perhaps a crazed stamp-collector): shiny bald pate, eyes fixed on something other-worldly, bristling shrubbery of beard, behind which a shy smile sometimes peeps out. Pärt is an Estonian composer whose genius is his ability to transform his feelings of religious devotion into grand, sublime music. He also plays the role of the holy fool brilliantly.

Pärt has lived in Berlin since 1980. This profile of him includes no biographical background and few explanations of his life now or earlier, but it succeeds because it plays a lot of his music. We hear it in rehearsal: "No, no, no, no!" the composer interrupts. He sings out the melody, beats out the rhythm and accompanies it with a sweet little arm dance, "Pa, pa, pa, PA!". We hear it, too, in performance, or as background to Pärt at work or at play.

"The greatest miracles happen in secret," he proclaims, happily, then pours the dregs of his glass over his bald head, and grins (which makes you wonder what was in the glass when it was full).

He has a wacky sense of humour; typical, I suppose, of religious saints. Pärt sits at a table with a grin on his face and a banana stuck in his ear. "Why do you have a banana in your ear?" his wife asks. "I can't hear you," he says gleefully. "You'll have to speak up . . . I have a banana in my ear."

Wimbledon '93
Monday, BBC2, noon
For the next two weeks the BBC does what it does best — offering lovingly full coverage of the most popular sporting event of the summer. Inevitably, it will include pompous title sequences and music; lots of shots of rain sheeting down on ginger-haired boys racing to pull on the covers; near the end, a craftily edited sequence of tennis tragedy and comedy to a jaunty song by someone such as Elton John; and hours and hours of front-man Desmond Lynam. With his suave, used-car-salesman-at-the-19th-hole persona, Lynam has achieved an air of authority that John Major and Graham Taylor must dream about. He reached television greatness when the Grand National tottered into débâcle around him. Something is bound to go horribly wrong at this year's Wimbledon, and Des will deal with it. By this time next year he will be prime minister.

Horizon: Chimp Talk
Monday, BBC2, 8pm
Every decade, *Horizon* does a programme about the language skills of chimpanzees, and it's always fascinating. There are two levels of fascination: the surprising abilities of the chimps to understand words and sentences, and the curious personalities of the scientists who work so closely with them.

The taught chimps follow instructions ("Got to put some water on the fire; you see the fire?" is the instruction, to which young Kanzi responds by loping over with a jug of water which he casually empties over the flames), and make their own demands (with a hand-held computer which has words and pictures on its keys and on which another chimp taps out, "Please Machine Give Apple").

In tests, chimps have shown a 90 per cent success rate in linguistic understanding; which gives them about the same ability as a two-and-a-half-year-old child.

It's all very impressive and helps with one of the declared aims: arriving at "an archaeology of our own language". But it is hard when watching this programme not to concentrate on the researchers themselves (and you notice the curious preponderance of husband-and-wife teams). There are sweet shots of Kanzi and Dr Savage-Rumbugh hiking in the grounds of the research institute, each with a rucksack on his back, sometimes walking hand in hand, like a couple of friends enjoying a Sunday picnic. Or Dr Boyson with her little chimp chum, Bobby. Dr Boyson says that "you have to create a loving environment", and there's a wonderfully intimate moment when Bobby is lovingly stroking his friend's eyelashes.

And then, when Dr Boyson is getting serious back in her study, your attention moves to the array of framed snapshots on the shelves behind her, and you suddenly realise that these aren't the expected shots of children and family: all are of chimpanzees.

Emmerdale
Tuesday and Thursday, ITV, 7pm
"No, Amos!" Annie bellows at the end of Tuesday's episode. "This time they've gone too far!" *Emmerdale* dropped the *Farm* from its title a year or so ago and has moved away from being a weedy television version of *The Archers* into an efficient, pot-boiling soap. It offers speedy resolutions to its storylines, has a bewildering assortment of accents, shows a healthy respect for clichés, and has recently made its prettiest character into a lesbian. All this adds up to great entertainment. (If it would only have the confidence to make each scene last a lot longer, *Emmerdale* would become compulsive viewing.)

TV Heroes: Barbara Woodhouse
Wednesday, BBC1, 8.50pm
There was a brief, charmed, surreal time when Barbara Woodhouse was Britain's favourite authority figure. (She was a sort of cross between Edna Everage and Margaret Thatcher.) *Training Dogs the Woodhouse Way* opened with a pack of happy, tongue-lolling dogs welcoming Babs, looking strangely glamorous in her blue sweater and sensible skirt (although cut, almost provocatively, a little higher than you might expect), striding on with a smile and a wave. Almost everything she said was either bizarre ("Never put your finger in the dog's pocket!") or rather rude ("Now love him . . between the legs . . . You see the difference? The sloppy look on his face?"), or plain weird ("I use 'quickie' for puddling and 'hurry up' for the other function").

Danny Baker, who is perhaps the brainiest man on television, presents this homage to a British icon with relish and respect.

Inside Story: Care in Mind
Wednesday, BBC1, 9.30pm
An enlightening documentary which shows, excellently, how changes in policy affect the precarious day-to-day lives of health service "clients" (as they are now called). Paul Savage has been a psychiatric nurse for 22 years and has seen the fashion in treatment change from institutionalisation to "care in the community". He remembers the old days almost with nostalgia as he does his rounds, visiting half-broken people washed up into residential homes or living at home with relations who cannot cope with the physical and emotional strain of looking after them.

The saddest image is of middle-aged Glen, whose mother is getting too old and sick to look after him. Paul asks Glen if he wants to be more independent. Glen dutifully says he does. He knows that's what he is meant to say, but the trouble is he can't remember why.

First Frame: Breath of Life
Thursday, Channel 4, midnight
An impressive short film by the young director Navin Thapar. A group of men are sharing a prison cell and are plucked by turns to undergo sadistic torture. That's a situation which has been done many times, but the strength of this film is that it succeeds in creating an atmosphere of claustrophobic hope, in which a stolen cigarette becomes the emblem of freedom.

Through the Keyhole
Friday, ITV, 7pm
There is something compelling about finding out how horribly many famous people like to live. As the title indicates, the programme is about voyeurism. But nothing actually happens, because the houses are empty, cleaned neatly, or artfully disarranged, by celebs with a book or a song or a television programme or a political career to publicise. In comes Loyd Grossman, tactfully admiring the shoddiest taste in tat (most things are described as "terrific"), and out in the studio three guests (next week, demure Eve Pollard, handsome David Mellor, and Tim Brooke-Taylor, who's more astute than either) try to work out who would actually choose to surround themselves with these terrific things.

It's a lazy programme, with Sir David Frost's ridiculously stretched-out links making sure that much time gets wasted, but it exerts an odd, excruciating pull.

Rock Documentaries: The Everly Brothers
Friday, BBC2, 12.10am
Phil is the younger one, Don is the chubbier one. Both look as if they've had some dangerous adventures along the way, but no matter how messed-up they became, together they could make one of the most beautiful sounds in vocal music.

This *Arena* programme (originally shown in 1984) is wonderful as a piece of history and geography — the Everlys come from a hard, coal-mining area of Kentucky, where music has always been the only vehicle for transcendence (either in the form of religious worship or country singing). The brothers clearly loathe each other for quite a lot of their career, but you never get much insight as to what was actually going on beneath the extravagant pompadours they wore.

This is well worth watching anyway, for the retired coalminers with their heart-wrenching blues songs, for the Everly cousin in his wild preacher routine (to a church that's filled entirely with members of the Everly family), and the brothers themselves, particularly in the footage from the late '50s and early '60s. There is one song, "Long Time Gone", which reaches the same spot as the music of Arvo Pärt (see above).



Walkies! Barbara Woodhouse trots back again in *TV Heroes* (Wednesday, BBC1, 8.50pm)

TODAY
The Man From Colorado 1949, US (Ch4, 2.50pm)
Volere Volare 1991, It (Ch4, 10.30pm)
The Trial 1962, Fr/It/WG (BBC2, 11.30pm)
TOMORROW
The Green Man 1956, GB (Ch4, 1.15pm)
The Hill 1965, GB (BBC2, 11.15pm)
TUESDAY
When The Wind Blows 1986, GB (Ch4, 12.05am)
THURSDAY
Lady For a Day 1933, US (BBC2, 10am)
FRIDAY
Hard Contract 1969, US (BBC1, 11.15pm)

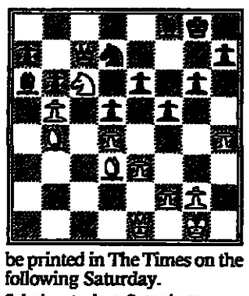
TODAY
Football — US Cup: England v Germany (ITV, 7pm)
TOMORROW
US Open Golf: final round (BBC2, 9.10pm)
MONDAY
Wimbledon '93 (BBC2, noon-8.30pm; BBC1, 1.50-4.10pm, and for the next two weeks — see left)
TUESDAY
Rugby Union: Hawkes Bay v British Lions (ITV, midnight)

Come Dancing (Monday, BBC1, 11.20pm)

WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keane, Chess Correspondent

This position is from the game Kasparov — Timman, Tilburg 1991. Here is an example of Kasparov's numerous wins, against one of the finalists of the FIDE World Championship. How did white force immediate resignation?



Predictamove for the World Championship can be followed on Channel 4 Teletex, page 478.

Send your answer on a postcard with your name and address to: The Times, 1 Pennington Street, London E1 9XN. The first three correct answers drawn on Thursday next week will win a British Chess Magazine book. The answer and the winners will be printed in The Times on the following Saturday.

Solution to last Saturday's competition: 1 Rd7+. The winners are: N.M. Smith, Brighton; B.R. Causer, Stoke-by-Nayland; G.J. Swimer, London NW11.

WORD-WATCHING

By Philip Howard

GADEAN
a. A Spanish troubadour
b. A codfish
c. Simultaneous quadratics

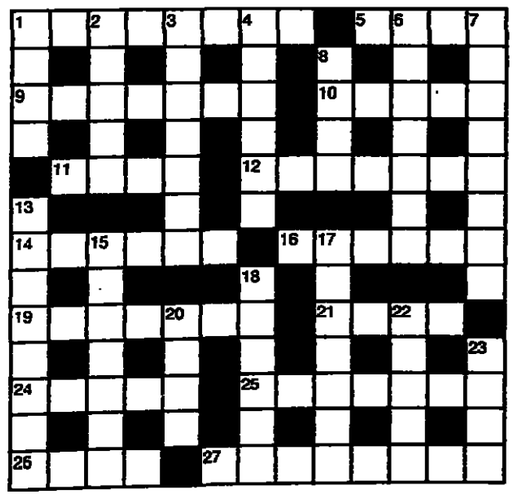
QUICHE
a. A Guatemalan people
b. Heraldically crosshatched
c. A poisoned quiver

TRISKAIDEKAPHOBIA
a. Fear of 13
b. Horror of doctors
c. Dislike of being wrong

MEBYON KERNOW
a. A salmon fly
b. A Welsh pudding
c. Cornish nationalists

Answers on page 13

CONCISE CROSSWORD NO 3126



ACROSS
1 Royal Scottish castle (8)
5 Little talk (4)
9 Right (7)
10 Machine turner (5)
11 Useless plant (4)
12 Compensation (7)
14 One or other (6)
16 Fire frame (6)
19 25th, 50th anniversary (7)
21 Manage (4)
24 Mind states (5)
25 Finger joint (7)
26 Tree swelling (4)
27 Intrinsic (8)

DOWN
1 Brandenburg concertos composer (4)
2 Huge (5)
3 Past proper time (7)
4 Main blood carrier (6)
6 Excitable type (7)
7 Funds store (8)
8 Ran away (4)
13 Jacob's favourite son (8)
15 Popular paper (7)
17 Cut out (7)
18 Entice (6)
20 Minus (4)
22 Fire rod (5)
23 Satan's kingdom (4)

SOLUTIONS TO NO 3125
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Going down to the river

Dawn breaks on **Caitlin Moran's** lonesome city blues

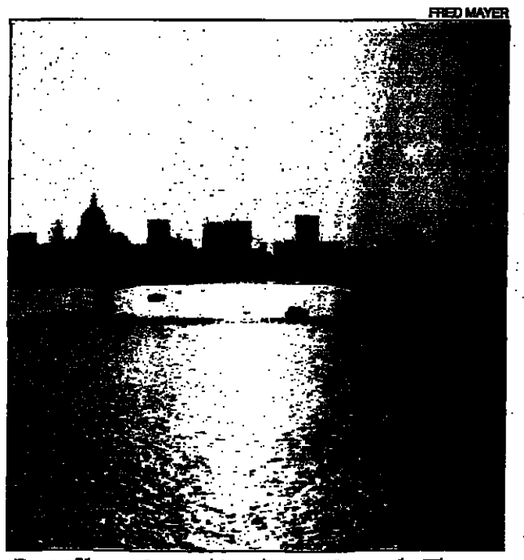


IT'S early, way, way early morning — something I'm not too well acquainted with, being of the opinion that life is needlessly hard and horrid as it is, without getting up before the day is into double figures. The streets are blissfully quiet . . . swathed in the soft semi-dark. The sound of my breathing is as loud as the sound of my footsteps, which is as loud as the sound of the faraway traffic droning on to the ringroad. I'm alone.

I was always scared of being on my own. The first time you're left on your lonesome is to sleep. As a child I always saw sleep as a huge ocean, which everybody would fall into when their heads hit the pillow. Sleeping seemed so much bigger than the world around me. I would die nightly; eaten, buried and, in one bizarre sequence of events, run over by a hovercraft while pushing Munchkin people through a sieve. I truly believed that if I slept too long I would get trapped in sleep and stay there for ever.

I imagined my mother finding my pudgy little child body, lost in dream seas, crying, and wishing she hadn't shouted at me for setting fire to the front-room curtains.

So from an early age I was imbued with the fear of being left alone — and to avoid it I would tag along with any group that would have me. We would sit on the railings outside the school and cackle and bitch about everybody; we would ignore each other's problems and birthdays. It was wonderful, shallow and insubstantial, and so long as we didn't have any problems, an absolute gas.



FRED MAYER

Rays of hope: the promise of a new day on the Thames

Following in that tradition, the group of people I have grooved around with recently barely knew three facts about me; nor I about them. You could have poured the amount of love between us into a thimble. We racketed around London, drinking and racing each other to the first nervous breakdown. Still, any breakdown in such company would have been almost *romantic*, certainly reminiscent of many F. Scott Fitzgerald stories and, as such, not a complete waste of a young life.

However, things came to the crunch — and it was a very *large* crunch — last Thursday. At that point, hunched upon a chair at the back of one of the more insalubrious Soho drinkeries, surrounded by the bright faces of London's professionally beautiful, I felt more alone than when I wrapped my pillow around my head and cried as a child. Listening to the conversations, I could tell that I and my suitcase of misery were hindering the jollies slightly — I was quite clearly a metaphorical bundle of wet washing at their perennial Birthday Party of Life.

So I stumbled out of the building, and started wandering the streets alone.

The sun was hauling itself up over the Thames, wreathing the Houses of Parliament in mist — it looked as if the river was smoking a post-coital cigarette after the mad thrash of the night before. The people sleeping under the bridges started the morning chorus of coughing into coat sleeves, which segued quite nicely into the birds gargling in the trees. The moon was still hanging around wanly over Blackfriars way, as if waiting rather self-consciously for a friend — as though it didn't quite trust the sun to manage things on its own. Someone in a chef's hat delivered a huge tray of vol-au-vents to the Houses of Parliament, tripped, and dropped them all. I sat down on a bench, took the pint of Guinness I'd cunningly wedged in my pocket before leaving, and started sipping slowly.

I'd made a couple of fundamental mistakes, I decided. I'd gotten my friends confused with those who were friendly. I'd muddled generosity of spirit with generosity of pocket. My *friends* — the Fabulous Five who are sweet enough to pretend to be pleased to hear from me when I ring them at five o'clock in the morning, the wonderkids who know my fundamental stupidities and waltz neatly around them — would never have gone to the club I'd just left in the first place. It had pink carpet on the walls, and little green plastic dragons in the toilets. My friends would have stepped into the place, taken one look around, and shimmied off down the pub, whereupon I would have spilled my guts about the horridness of last Thursday, and they would have offered advice, sympathy, handkerchiefs, boiled sweets and the phone number of a reputable plumber.

I stood up, shoved my hands into my pockets, and wandered over to the telephone box. Five o'clock in the morning, and Bernie, I knew, would sound pleased to hear me.

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